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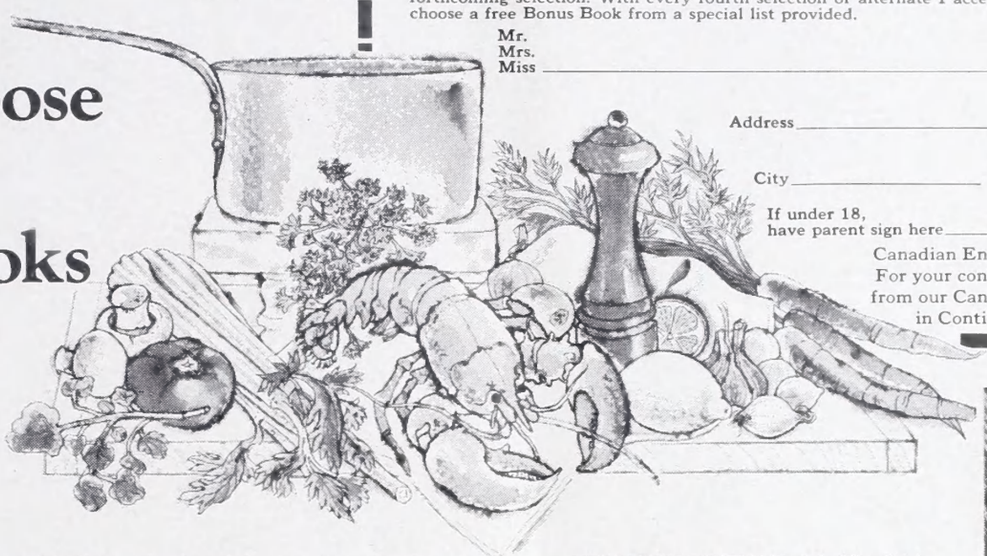


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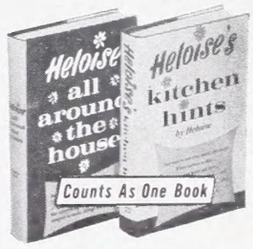
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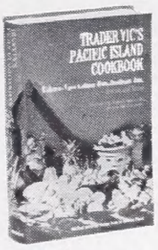
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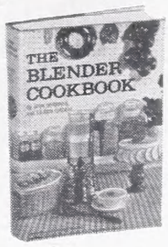
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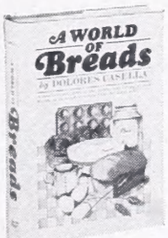
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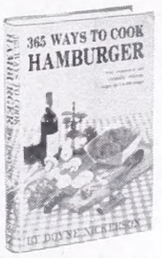
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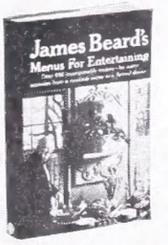
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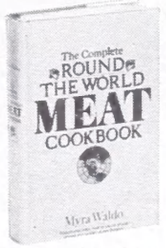
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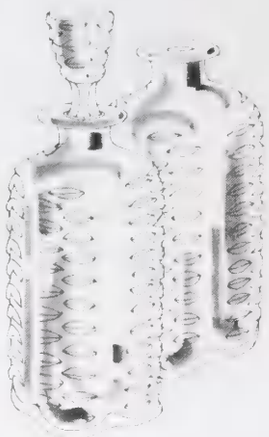


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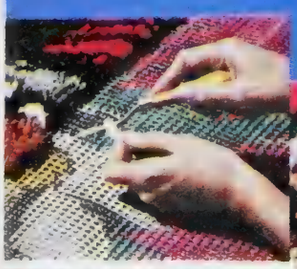
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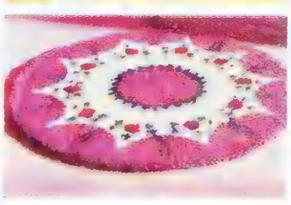
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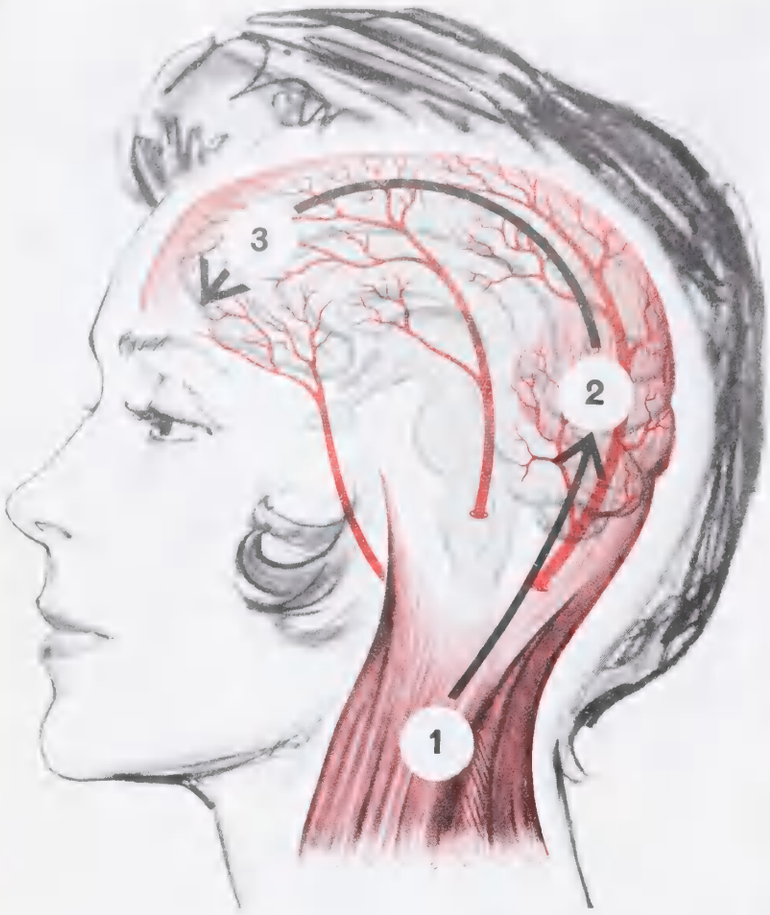
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In terms of juices only, citrus is the name that encompasses oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, lemons. The frozen concentrates include orange, grapefruit, grapefruit and orange, and tangerine. The concentrates, available in six to 32-ounce cans, are usually reconstituted but they can be used in the concentrated form where called for. All must be stored in the freezer. Chilled, pasteurized orange juice or citrus juices are either all fresh or a blend of fresh and reconstituted. They come in eight-ounce and quart containers and must be stored in the refrigerator. Canned orange, grapefruit, and tangerine juices as well as blended grapefruit and orange juice, sweetened or unsweetened, are available in cans from eight to 46 ounces. Chill before serving. In all these forms the vitamin C content (ascorbic acid) is comparable to fresh. Lemon juice is available in lemon-shape plastic containers ($4\frac{1}{2}$ ounces), canned ($5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces), bottled (one and $1\frac{1}{2}$ pints), frozen concentrate ($5\frac{3}{4}$ ounces).

What are "orange drinks"?

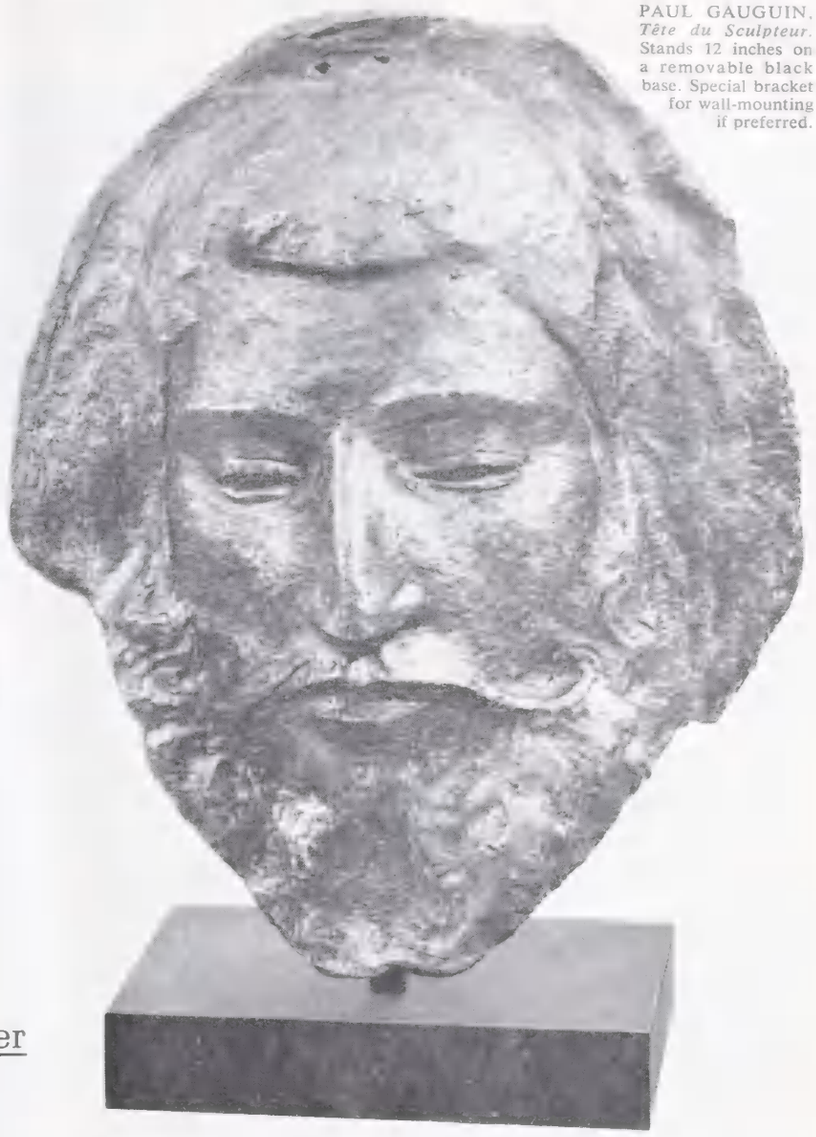
Available powdered or frozen, they are known as orange-flavored breakfast drinks. Orange in color and flavor, they have little or no natural orange juice. Vitamin C is added to many: thiamine, vitamin A, and dried pulp to some. Nutritionally they are less desirable than orange juice, regardless of the amount of vitamin C, because they lack many other vitamins and minerals. Another group: canned or bottled orange-flavored fruit drinks, which generally contain some full-strength juice. All the normal substances of the natural fruit are present but in smaller amounts. Sugar is generally added, and if they are enriched with vitamin C, the label usually indicates the amount in each serving. Finally, there are pre-sweetened soft-drink mixes to which water is added to make them drinkable. At this time you cannot tell from the label of any of these orange drinks how much orange juice is in the product.

What is the nutritive value of orange juice?

Orange juice, like grapefruit juice, is the best natural source of vitamin C, the vitamin that "cements" between the cells of tissues, bones, teeth, and blood; helps to keep gums healthy and the body resistant to infection, and to heal wounds. Both orange and grapefruit juice give important amounts of vitamin A and many of the B-complex vitamins, as well as appreciable amounts of minerals.

How much citrus fruit should one drink every day?

For good health, and *this applies to all ages*, drink a 4-ounce glass of orange or grapefruit juice or eat a large orange, $\frac{1}{2}$ grapefruit, or 3 tangerines. Because you do not store vitamin C in your body, it must be replaced each day. Other good sources of vitamin C include cabbage, potatoes, tomatoes, melons, strawberries, and, of course, lemons and other members of the citrus family. ■



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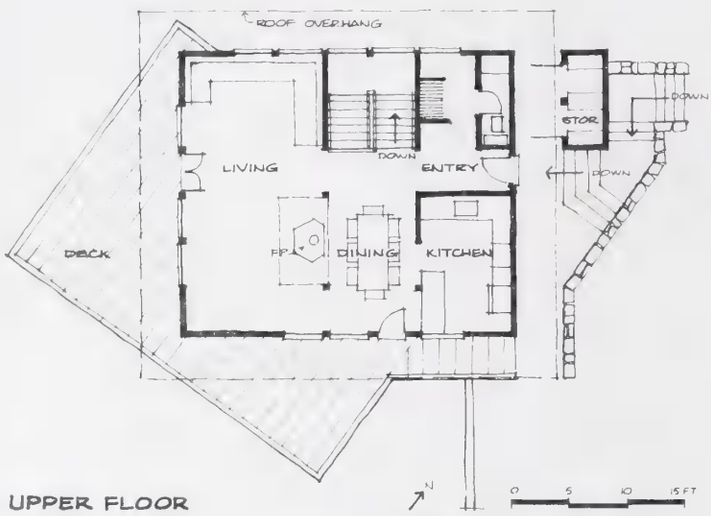
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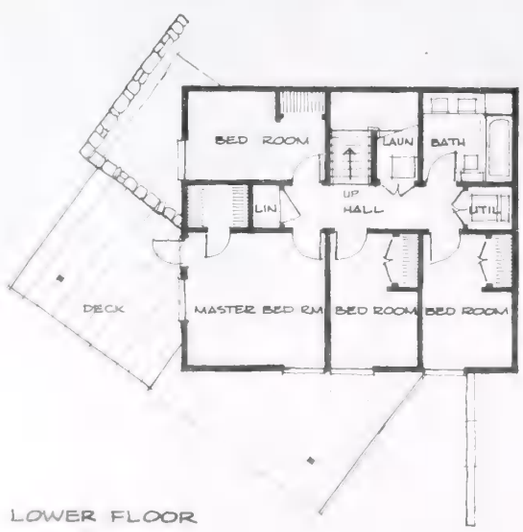
Built into the south face of an Aspen, Colorado slope, this year-round house is undeniable proof that a limited budget is no deterrent to good design. Architect John Rosolack, in association with Architect Frederic Benedict of Aspen, planned the 1,250-square-foot home for his own family of five. Finished several years ago, the house could be reproduced today in the high-cost Aspen area for around $25,000 (and in, say, the northern suburbs of Chicago, quite possibly for under $30,000). How was it done? By limiting the size of the house; building two stories to keep the foundation small; employing a four-foot module to keep material costs low; laying out a marvelously economical floor plan with easy-flowing traffic patterns and, finally, by leaving as finished surfaces many of the materials used in construction.

Because a spectacular view stretches down the slope to the south, Rosolack oriented the main living areas and the decks in that direction. In doing so, he put to good use the steep site on which the house rests. Lower-level rooms were planned so that two windowless walls back up to natural contours in the land, minimizing the need for excavation. Rough-sawn, natural cedar siding covers the exterior, and the house is built over a simple, painted, concrete-block foundation. Decks and balconies are of redwood. Fireplace is prefabricated.



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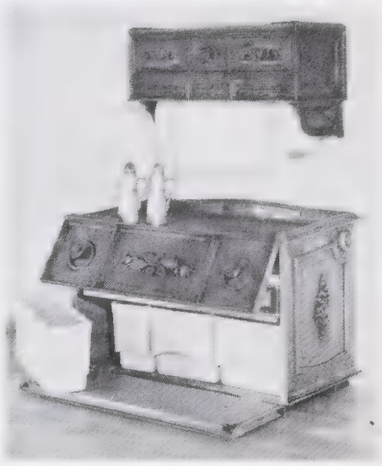
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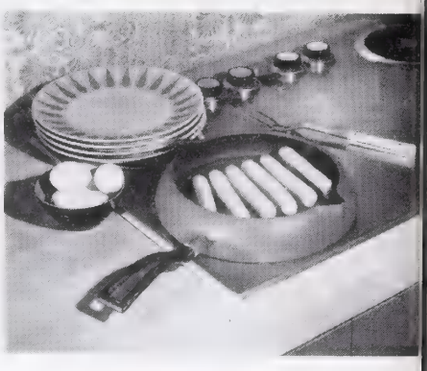
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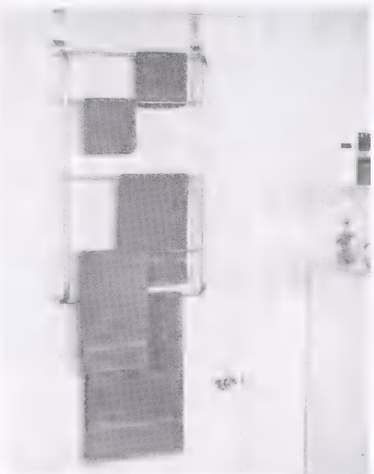




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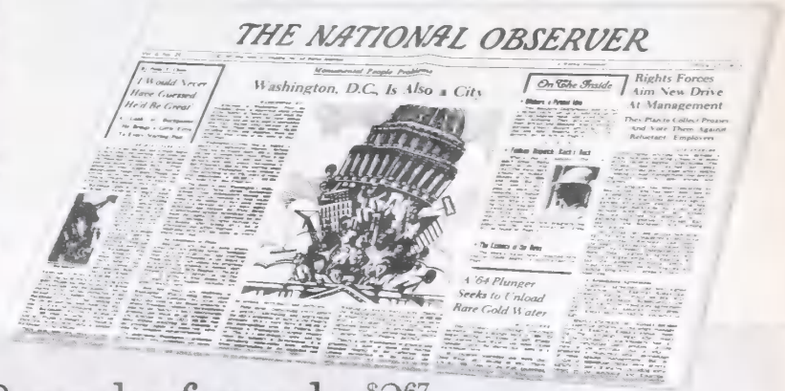
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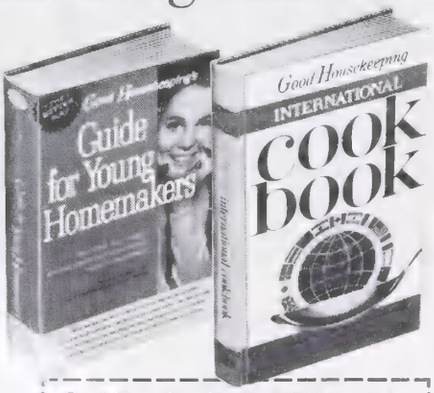


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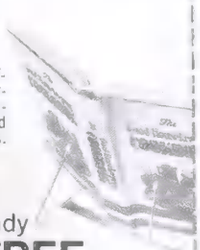
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Buying oranges

All oranges, as required by law, are picked mature. With that in mind, slightly green fruit is as ripe as golden fruit and often sweeter. Sometimes golden fruit picked all golden turns green. Known by the growers as "regreening." Florida oranges may have color added. If so, the fruit is stamped "color added." Like grapefruit, "russeted" oranges are every bit as good as the bright-colored fruit of the same variety. Avoid oranges that are light in weight, puffy, and spongy, because they will lack juice.

Varieties of the orange family and their availability

Valencia. Except in the dead of winter, Valencias are always on the market, from either California or Florida. This is the great juice orange, containing from two to six seeds.

Navel. So named because of the small navel formation at the blossom end, these are seedless, extra-large winter oranges known as the "eating" orange. They are very easy to peel, ideal for sectioning and to use as a garnish. California-Arizona navels' season: November through May; Florida's, November through January.

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Temple. A popular Florida orange, with easily removable skin and readily parted sections. The deep orange-red rind can be smooth or pebbled; very juicy; distinctive flavor; about 20 seeds.

Murcott Honey Orange. Florida's new variety, with many characteristics of the tangerine and a quite apparent honey flavor. Very sweet with few seeds, it is best eaten out of hand. Season: January to May.

Tangerine-Mandarin. The words tangerine and mandarin are often used interchangeably, which makes things confusing. Botanically, the mandarin is a *Citrus reticulata*, meaning thin, loose skin that separates easily from the pulp, and a pulp that sections easily. The principle types, known popularly as kid-glove or zipper oranges, are tangerines, a dark-orange flesh with red peel; and satsumas (from the Japanese), with a pale light-yellow peel. These are so highly perishable they are generally canned and sold under the mandarin name. Dancy, the most famous of the family, grown primarily in Florida, is the one most familiar to us, but the Kinnow is now being raised quite extensively in California. The tangerine season is short—November through April.

In buying tangerines look for those that are heavy for their size, with the characteristic deep-orange, almost red skin. A puffy appearance and feel, unlike oranges, is normal but there should not be any soft, water-soaked areas or mould.

Tangelo. Looking like an orange, it is actually a hybrid, a cross between the Dancy—the sweet, best-known of the tangerines—and a tart grapefruit. A delicious eating fruit, tangelos run about the size of an orange, are dark-orange in color, aromatic, juicy, and easily peeled. Use as you would tangerines. In season from late October through January, with November the peak month.

Storing oranges and other citrus fruits

They should be stored in the hydrator of the refrigerator. Cut fruit should have the surface sealed with Saran or foil, and peeled fruit should be wrapped securely in either Saran or foil to prevent its drying out.

Approximate equivalents of food measures

- 3 to 4 medium oranges will yield 1 cup juice
- 2 medium oranges will yield 1 cup bite-size pieces
- 1 medium orange will yield 10 or 11 sections
- 1 medium orange will yield 4 teaspoons grated rind
- 1 medium orange, unpeeled, yields $\frac{2}{3}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ cup purée

to prepare
citrus fruits

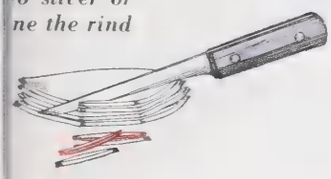
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to peel and section



thin slice off both ends.
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down to the flesh. Cut off
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Grapefruits and lemons
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thin slice from both ends
unpeeled fruit. Then slice
to the thickness you want.
tches around the peel with
p paring knife or scissors.

How to mince slivered rind



Prepare slivered rind (see above), gather the rind into little bundles, then mince, cutting across.

How to make bite-size pieces



Cut peeled fruit (see above) in half lengthwise, and lift out the center core. Place each half, cut side down, slice lengthwise, then across.

How to make citrus curls



Slice (see above), then cut half the fruit only from each slice, leaving all the rind. Curl the rind into the center. Usually done with oranges and lemons only.

How to make citrus twists



Slice the fruit, rind on, then cut the slice just to the center; twist. For oranges or lemons only.

How to make citrus shells



Slice about $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ off the blossom end of oranges and lemons; cut grapefruit in half. Squeeze out juice, then scrape shell clean with a large spoon. Notch edges with a paring knife or kitchen scissors.

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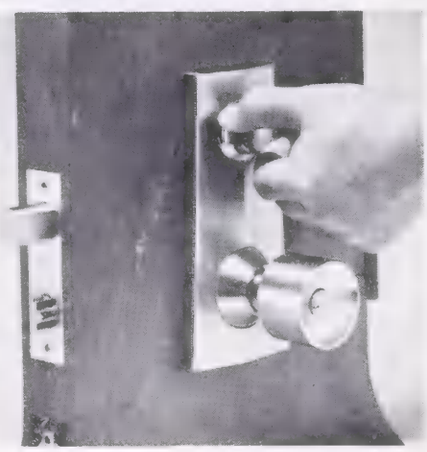
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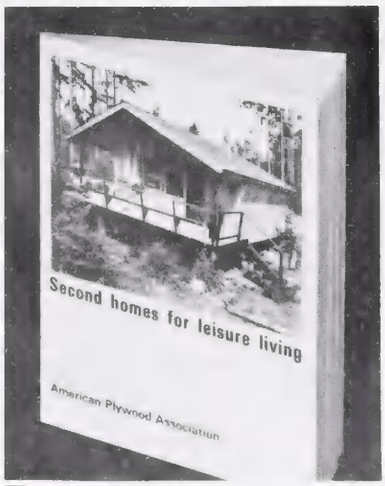
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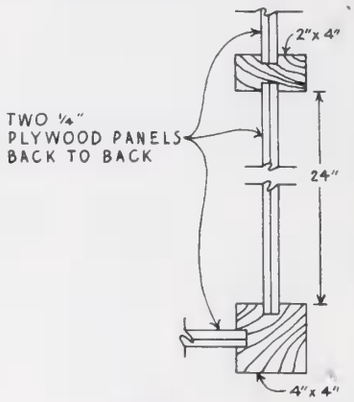
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The 4″-by-4″ lumber can handle a right-angle turn in the wall, or serve as a door jamb. Jens Risom grooved the lumber and cut the plywood with his own power tools. Without this equipment, you could simply ask the lumber yard to do your cutting. For slightly more permanent assembly, spread some standard paneling adhesive between the sheets.

More low-upkeep doors

Since we published news about the Pease steel-faced entry door (HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, November 1967), another company began producing metal-faced doors—this time with aluminum. The advantages, as before, are low-maintenance, high thermal qualities (there's really no need to add a storm door), and an absence of warpage. National Aluminum Thermal Doors (you can reach them at P.O. Box 680, Lafayette, Indiana 47902) turns out a 1¾″ thick door with a heart-cut redwood frame, expanded polystyrene core, and faced with factory-primed aluminum. Normal stock sizes and a reasonable variety of styles are offered in a price range from about $90 to $120 for single doors.

Home values going up

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changed, is worth approximately $1,000 more than it was last year at this time. So concludes a recent survey by the National Association of Real Estate Boards. The group bases its estimate on price movements in the market. More specifically, it notes that the average price of houses rose from $19,630 to $20,630 during a year's period ending August 1968.

Further confirmation of higher values for homes comes from the Hartford Insurance Group, which puts the rate of rise at four percent a year. Hartford's observations go on to point out that the standard homeowner insurance policy falls short of full coverage within a few months after it has gone into effect. This is particularly true if the policy is based on cash value instead of on replacement cost.

What to do? Hartford has devised a solution. The company now offers, on an optional basis, a policy that automatically increases coverage one percent every three months, or twelve percent over the ordinary three-year period. Labeled "Inflation Guard" by the firm, the policy carries slightly higher premiums than standard coverage, and is presently available in 32 states.

Does the policy automatically adjust downward in the wake of a recession? No, says the company, but a serious downward trend in the economy would wash out this option for the simple reason that there would no longer be any demand for it.

New safety for sliding doors

Sliding glass doors planned for a new home or an addition to your present home? You'll be pleased to know that after January 1st, safety glass will be used in all doors showing the Quality Certification label of the Architectural Aluminum Manufacturers Assn. Members of this group account for 80 percent of all sliding glass doors manufactured each year in the U.S. This was a move to wipe out the more than 100,000 injuries that occurred yearly because people—mostly children—walked through doors having ordinary glass. Adding safety glass will push up the price of the doors slightly, but it seems worthwhile to me.——J.H.I.

Building a good deck

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darken again, simply reapply the bleach to these areas.

A pigmented stain protects the surface of the wood, imparts color to the deck, and still permits the swirls and figures of the grain to show through. This is a good finish and one that is now available in a full range of colors. A new coat is required about once a year, but may last longer.

If you want to paint the deck, buy a paint specifically made for outdoor use. It's usually called a porch-and-deck or porch-and-floor enamel. The alkyds are reasonably good, and the new polyurethane and epoxy paints are better. Paint provides the best protection for wood, but also shows wear faster than stains or sealers. A new coat will be needed at least once a year.

Varnishes, lacquers, and shellacs aren't recommended for the demanding wear on a deck exposed to weather. It is possible to derive service from marine varnish and the new polyurethane varnishes. But you have to remove the base coat to apply a new one, and a deck is often a big surface.

On the subject of footings, it's good to know that poured concrete piers are excellent, adaptable, and used by most contractors. Three other possibilities are open to you. Many building-supply outlets now sell precast concrete piers, a convenience if you're doing the project yourself. Another thought: pressure-treated construction poles in place of concrete piers. The last method—building the deck over pressure-treated or decay-resistant timbers laid on a gravel bed—is a debatable practice. Where drainage is good and decay isn't a strong threat, this is acceptable. Otherwise, stick with conventional footings.

How about fasteners? The important point is to specify aluminum or hot-dipped galvanized nails and screws, so deterioration of the metal doesn't stain the wood. Sizes and conformation of fasteners (and where to use bolts and other connectors) is information readily available from local suppliers, if you intend to build the deck on your own.

A final tip: While 2″-by-4″ and 2″-by-6″ planks are excellent for the deck surface, it isn't necessary to use that thickness. Many successful decks have been built with 5/4″ boards. A few more joists are required, but you'll save money on the overall purchase of wood. ■



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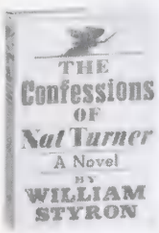
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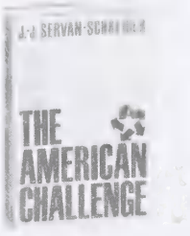
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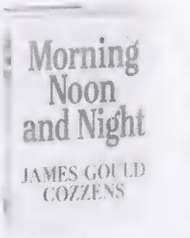
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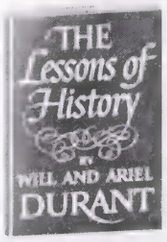
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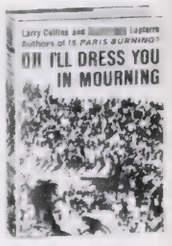
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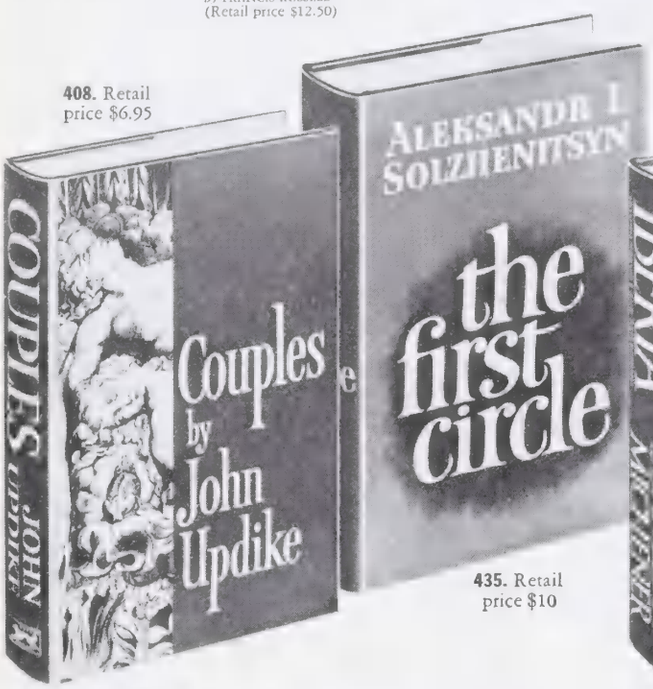


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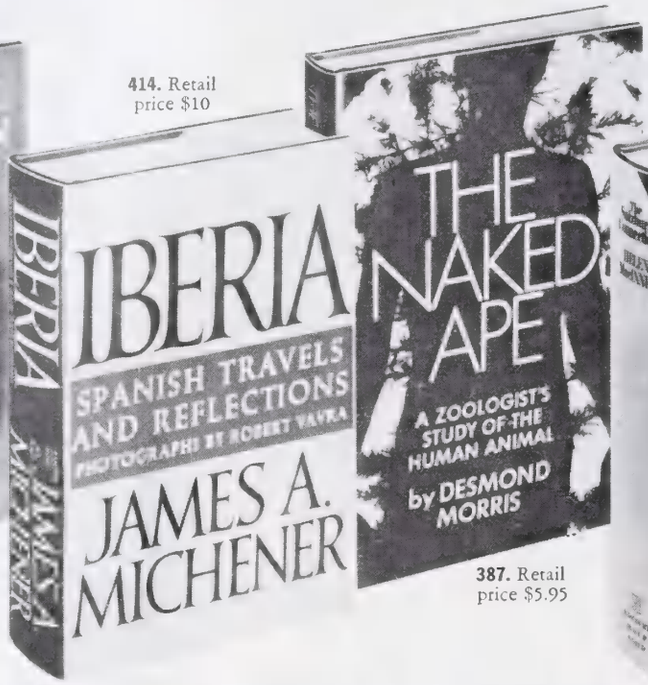
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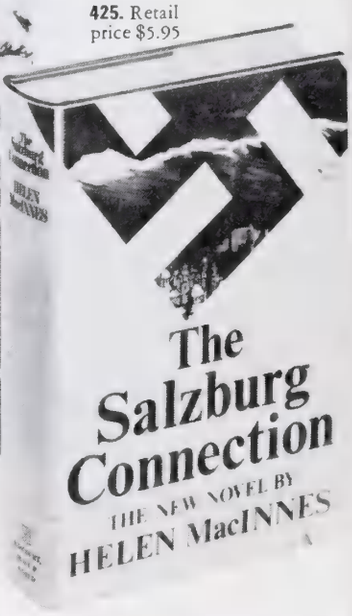
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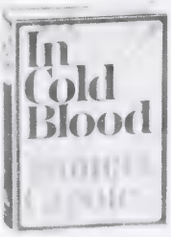
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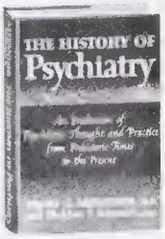
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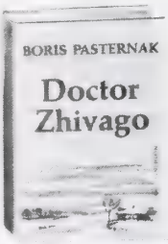
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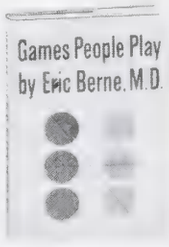
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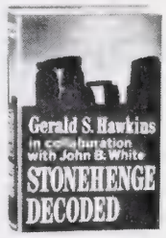
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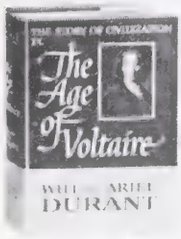
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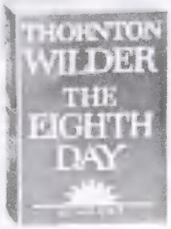
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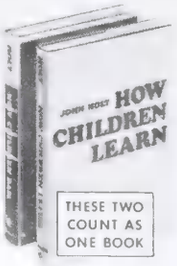
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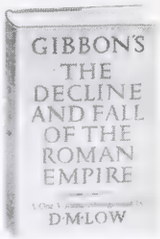
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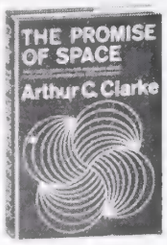
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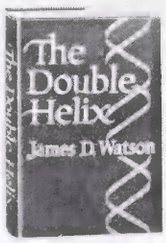
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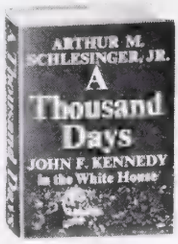
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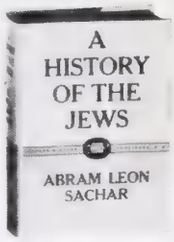
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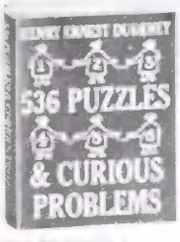
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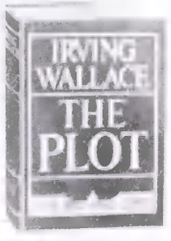
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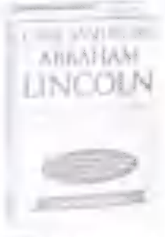
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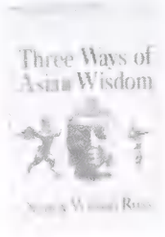
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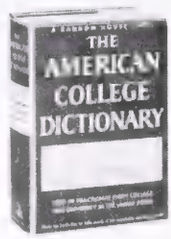
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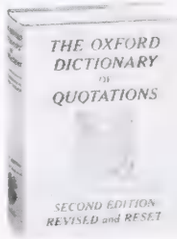
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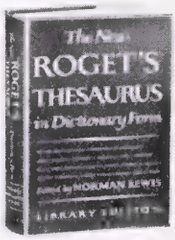
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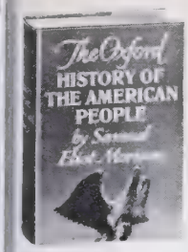
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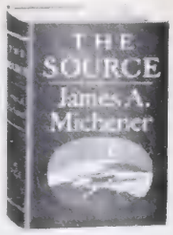
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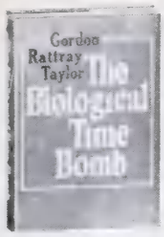
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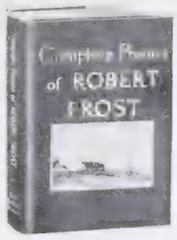
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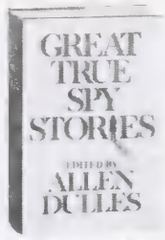
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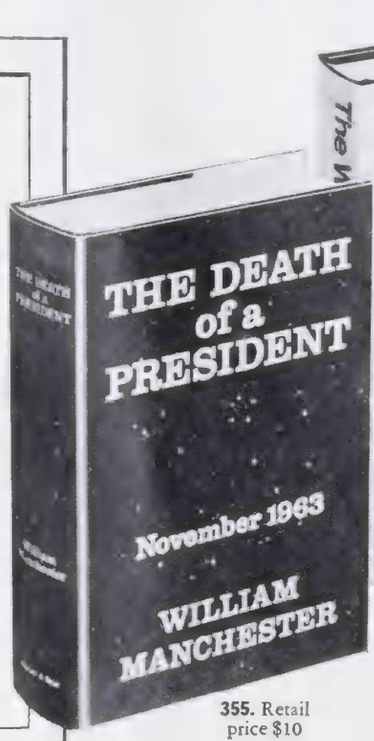
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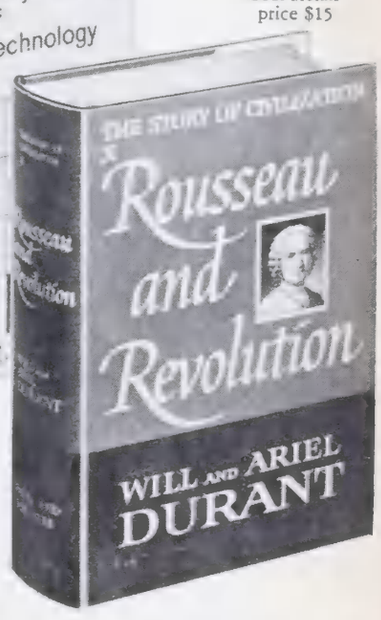
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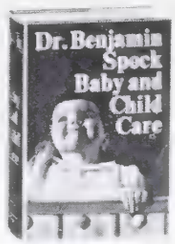
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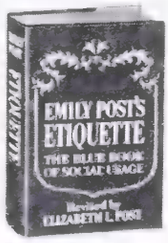
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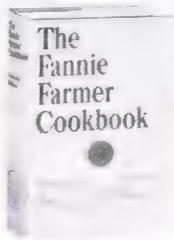
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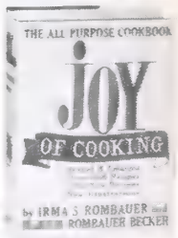
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RHODES

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Long, long ago Apollo, the sun god, asked his father Zeus for the hand of the loveliest nymph who lived in the depths of the Aegean. Her name was Rhodon—rock rose—and she came out of the sea to become the bride of Apollo and incidentally turn into the blossoming Dodecanese island that bears her name. The sun god, who of necessity travels a lot, still loves this lady so much that over the eons never a day passed that he has not paid her a visit.

That's the legend of Rhodes, and vacationers begin to believe it as they sunbathe on the beaches or stroll in the noon dazzle at Mandraki, the old city port of Rhodes where the yachts and cruise ships tie up. Honest Rhodians say that Apollo sometimes misses his daily date in December and January. Even at that, Rhodes has always been sunlovers' country in all its 3,000-year history—an eminently easy place to relax in. As of this era, it has some of the best hotels in Greece. To swim in the clear Aegean or sail on it or simply watch the sea, the skyscape—and the pelicans—is rare refreshment. There are yachts and lesser craft to be hired, free-port shopping and intriguingly Eastern-flavored shops to do it in. (Rhodians are masterful jewelers, shoemakers, and tailors—and mink is a bargain.) Local *tavernas* can make some nights full of bouzouki music and Greek dancing, and there's a casino at the Grand Hotel Summer Palace. All this surrounded by a welter of flowers—roses, of course, hibiscus big as butter plates, and bougainvillea hanging in [illegible] from walls and balconies like flowery bedclothes flung out to air [illegible] the season's chore to all Greek housewives.

Rhodes is a fabulous overlayering of cultural influences from First Century B.C. Doric Greek to 20th-century Italian—all the results of the invasions and occupations that this little place has been heir to. Arriving by ship, you may be surprised to find yourself not in a marble Greek city of antiquity, but entering a 14th-century medieval fortress town, massively walled and romantically dominated by a turreted Gothic castle—this the legacy of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem who ruled here for two centuries. This was an international coterie of hospitalers dedicated to healing battered crusaders on their way home from the Holy Land, but they were equally if not more concerned with the elimination of the Ottoman Turks, whose homeland is clearly visible twelve miles away across the sea. The knights' triple-moated fortifications finally fell to the Turks in 1503. You can hear—and almost believe you see—the story of the knights versus the Turks in a smashingly good *Son et Lumière* spectacle presented evenings, April through October. The setting is the illuminated medieval Palace of the Grand Master of the Knights of St. John, the theatre its delightful jasmine-scented rose garden.

A visit to the restored palace with its alabaster windows is on every sightseer's docket, and there are guided walking tours around the ramparts. The great moats are dry now, turned into gardens and, a sudden delight, romping grounds for several families of deer, who are protected in Rhodes because their ancestors literally stamped out the island's snakes. Everyone walks the old town, which is enclosed within these walls. This is where the most amusing shopping is. Best bargains are in sandals, long-haired sheep rugs called *flokati*, distinctively woven wool bedspreads, tinselly jewelry of the Near Eastern genre, enameled tiles, and decorated pottery for which Rhodes has long been famous. Rhodians are clever stone cutters, so this is the place for bibelots in alabaster, onyx, rose quartz and lapis—not inexpensive but bargains of their kind, which is also true of fine jewelry. The fur workers of Rhodes are skilled, but the mink bargains lean toward fun furs of the patched-and-put-together variety, mink paws and tummies predominant.

All this perambulating calls for comfortable footwear. The knights, who built the old town, favored little sharp, bumpy cobblestones.

Most of urbane ancient Rhodes has long since been built over. The Turks, who occupied Rhodes until 1912, added minarets to the scene and the Near Eastern flavor of the old town bazaar. The Italians, who were in command from 1912 to 1945, concentrated on restoring the Gothic and building a modern Italianate city. But in the Museum, which was the knights' hospital in the 14th Century, there's a lovely cache of salvaged antiquity. Best known: a smoky gray, almost ephemeral marble "Venus Drying Her Hair" and a touching funerary stone, "Crito and Tararista," recalling an ancient Greek girl's grief at her mother's death.

To Lindos

Excursions out from the city, none of them very time-consuming, take you back to antiquity—to Monte Smith, a peculiar name for the old acropolis of Rhodes where there are Second Century B.C. ruins—a stadium, a theatre, temples to Apollo and Athena. Camiros on the west coast gives a good idea of what a Doric Greek city looked like. But by far the most memorable, strikingly beautiful experience of the very old is a visit to the acropolis of Lindos where on a steep, steep cliff rising from the sea the ancients built a magnificent complex sacred to Athena. The ruins remain, majestic columns silhouetted against the sky in beautiful, lonely dignity. To reach the acropolis you climb, on a wood-saddled burro, through the narrow, cobbled streets of Lindos, a white-washed, charmingly Rhodian town that makes you want to return to stay. (Anthony Quinn returned to settle nearby, after making *The Guns of Navarone*, which used Rhodes as its setting.) You are also climbing up through layers of civilizations that built upon the old. Make your Lindos excursion in late afternoon, when the crowds have thinned out and you and the wild flowers have the acropolis virtually to yourself in the gold quiet of sunset. From here you may look down into a small cove where St. Paul is said to have landed—and on the other side of this great escarpment see the promontory that entombs Cleobolus, considered in the 6th Century B.C. one of the seven sages of Greece.

The Rhodes-to-Lindos trip gives you a sense of the rural "Greekness" of Rhodes, taking you through the regions where the apricots and oranges grow and through the towns of Afandou and Archangelos. It's interesting that through their long and diverse history the Rhodians have never

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A PLACE IN THE SUN



THE MEXICAN HOME OF JUAN SORDO MADALENO. PHOTOGRAPH J. PRIMOIS. REPORTAGE ALBERTO PINTO

The lodestar is the sun itself, drawing to idyllic shores not only latter-day Robinson Crusoes and General Luminaries who plot their own schedules but Every Man whose treasure embraces time and imagination. They ride the heavens, Apollo-like, and come down all over the world to their own astonishing seaside villas waiting, as in the old legends, with every joy of intoxicating sun, chiffon surf, and cobalt sea. Here is developing a strong sunshine-and-shadow chiaroscuro architecture. A decor—spare, colorful, elemental, and fantastic—of tiles, deeply set doorways, cutaway walls, platforms, the eloquence of tropical foliage, and the challenging impact always of Scene . . . as you will see in Mallorca, Port-au-Prince, San Juan, Cadaqués, Eleuthera, and Sardinia.
(P.S. As consolation for those of us who must catch the sun North Temperately, we have prepared a portfolio of wide, wonderful decks.)

Sarah Somerlin Lee



On the sloping coast of the Costa de los Piños, three villas lure their owners into the sun

MALLORCA

Editor, Mallorca Portfolio: RICHARD FITZGERALD

On this forever-sunny island, rich in the growth of almonds and figs, Francisco Muñoz Cabrero, Madrid's prominent interior and furniture designer, has fashioned a splendidly open seaside house, where a dramatic series of terraces vie with the sparkle and magic of the sea. Majestically set on a promontory, this villa in its overwhelming presentation of the sea seems, like a ship, to welcome the excitement of spray and breeze. *More*





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Throughout the house and its terraces, an exciting contemporary statement of water living, a controlled scheme of blues and whites respects the sea. Below the pool, left, from a sundeck set precisely into the rocks, fearless swimmers may dive into the water, while the more cautious descend by rope ladder. In a pleasant courtyard off the dining room, above, stuccoed baffles spare luncheon guests the often gusty winds. The enormous living room, on our cover, reveals from still another level the enchantment of the sea.





The marvelously comfortable furniture, much of it designed by Señor Muñoz, is accented with details from a nautical collection. The cocktail table, above, is a brass-bound sea captain's trunk, and everywhere are telescopes of different sizes for stargazing. Top, an English Parliament clock over the mantel. Center, a portable fiber-glass bar from Italy with sections for bottles and glasses. In the hallway, left, the railing, a flowing curve of white stucco, reveals the soft edging of an otherwise geometric house.









Behind the Roman shade in front of the sliding glass doors at the far end of the living room, above, is an atrium where, protected from the wind, the family gathers in the evening. The pillow print is the same dressmaker fabric as that of a dressing gown for Señor Muñoz. Another nautical accessory—the model of an 18th-century Spanish frigate. The boy's room, top, is draped in fabric designed and woven on the island. In the girl's room, center, a gay Spanish print and bentwood headboard. The sink, right, is placed in her bedroom.

HOWARD GRAFF



In Mallorca's sunny privacy

A CHARMED-CIRCLE VILLA

When Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Miller want to live off-the-cosmopolitan-stage for a time, they leave their Manhattan apartment, or London townhouse, or English estate and head for their holiday villa, Es Moli, at San Servera, shown here and on the following four pages. There, a complete change of pace. Leisurely. Relaxed. Involved only with close friends who also delight in clear skies, calm waters, the refreshment of informal living. Much of the day is spent overlooking (or in) a great pool and the deeper blue water beyond. Architect for the main house and guesthouse, José Alcover. Creator of the enchanting, seemingly offhand interior design, William Baldwin, who gathered antiques, local handcrafts, furnishings from the U.S.A. into a masterly mix marvelously expressive of the insouciant mood that recurrently draws the Millers back to this blue haven. *More*



Across the main floor of Es Moli, left, there is a loggia with dining- and living-room sections, flanked by duck curtains to be drawn against evening breezes. In the wing at the far side, master bedrooms, a secluded sitting room. On the second floor, two guestrooms, a centered sitting room. All overlooking an island of planting with creamy spires of yucca, the pool, and the blue beyond. Between the house and the two-level pool, right, a terrace of local marble, always pleasantly cool to the touch. As cool-looking, life-in-the-open furniture.
HOWARD GRAFF









A CHARMED-CIRCLE VILLA

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Lantern-lit, greenery-scarfed entrance, top left, to the main house belonging to the Gilbert Millers, Es Moli. Living-room section of the loggia, center, with a super-deluxe puzzle spread out as an inviting dare to nimble minds. A view of the guesthouse, lower left, its white stucco, blue shutters, tiled roof a reprise of Es Moli itself. Another look at the loggia-living room, top right, with color-flares in flowers, pillows, topiary Ficus, in keen contrast to a white, black, and straw color scheme. Plaster table lamps, lacquered table, wicker sofa, and twin chairs, all American. Straw chair in the foreground, Spanish. All cooled by the pale marble floor. Lifting its colors from the midday sun, a luncheon set in the dining room, right. Charming still life: Around the guest book conveniently placed on a table close to the living-room entrance, a summer bouquet, a group of favorite objets. *In the painting, again, the sea.*











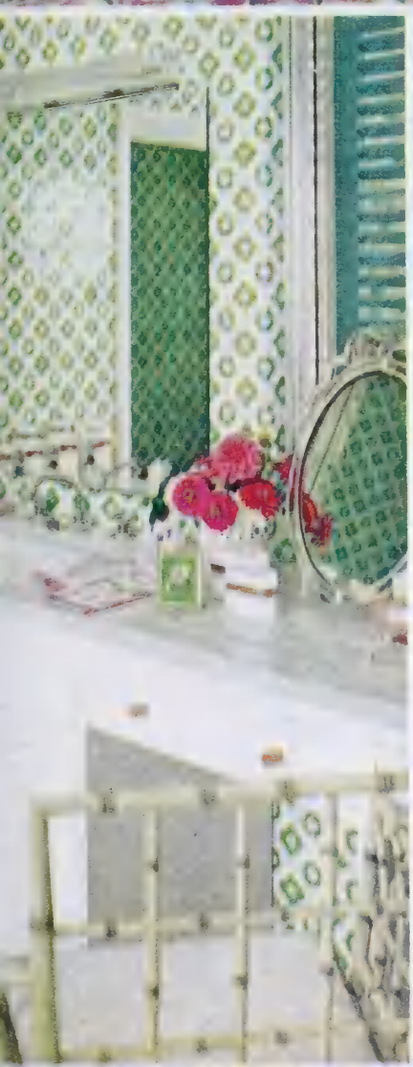
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Brown and white tile risers, dark wood treads, make the stairway, left, part of the decorative plan.
A trio of singularities in the Millers' private sitting room, lower left: Beaded needlework footstool in playing-card pattern; Victorian table, papier-mâché with mother-of-pearl inlay; the fireside chair, a Brighton Pavilion reminiscence in miniature. Underlying, a straw rug produced in Spain.
In the master bedroom, top right, a collection of opaline glass flashes from a lacquered Regency cabinet. Color in the modern manner: the bedcovering of Porthault linen. Bedside table, in Regency style with bamboo turning. The curvy little chair, a Victorian piece, again papier-mâché lightly inlaid with mother-of-pearl.
Locally made, the tile that covers the guest-bath walls, right, with its orderly diamond pattern. From Venice, the oval mirror on the dressing table.
Foreign ingredients, surprisingly companionable, in the adjoining guest bedroom: The airily intricate wicker chair from Hongkong; the sturdy, clean-line writing table, a classic designed by the late Jean Michel Frank; the carved mirror brought from India.
As a finishing fillip, the wise words boldly set forth on the nearby pillow.

HOWARD GRAFF







Rising from ancient Mallorca

A GOTHIC KEEP

Son Sard, near San Servera, high above the terraced *fincas* that climb precipitously from the Mediterranean—this 12th-century tower. Possibly the one-time fortress of a crusader who searched the sea for Saracens from its crenellated crest. Certainly it is now the vacation house of Señora Maria Marta de Santamarina. On holiday, she fell under the spell of this romantic pile, bought it, and, with her own design talents and local labor, brought its antique beauty back to life, made it her hilltop escape house, filled with favorite things gleaned from the whole world. *More*



During the centuries, the sandstone fort became a farmhouse—its function today in this sunny region where melons and figs ripen to perfection and almonds blossom snowily in spring. Owner's innovations: the great arched entry and arrow-slot windows.

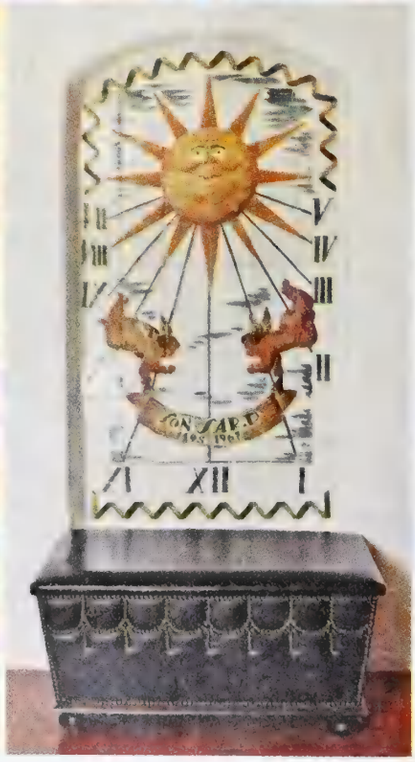
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A GOTHIC KEEP

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Señora de Santamarina, who has homes in Argentina, New York, and London, makes this hilltop fortress-farm her summerhouse, enjoys sea views and breezes through terraces and modern windows. Stressed—in tiles, jalousies, archways—the Moorish accent of Mallorca. Furnishings are timeless, world-wide personal pleasures of their owner. Windswept tower, top left, is a study. As is the drawing room, top right, seating is built-in masonry stuccoed chalk-white, cushioned in Indian mirror cloth, Thai silk, Mallorcan embroidery. Through the lattice awning: the kitchen and a global cache of pottery. Tile sundial, center above, marks date and place of house. Islamic arch, above, frames a mirror reflection of the bath. Bedroom, opposite, coolly mixes a Victorian brass bed, Indian crewel, Spanish hemp rug, Empire side chair, Tambour muslin curtains the bed, shades a pull-down lamp. Armchair cover is a Marseilles bedspread. Beyond glass doors, a terrace surveys farm and Mediterranean.



An American designer makes his half-yearly home in

HAITI

Set on a Port-au-Prince hilltop in the midst of an Eden of planting, the paper-lace Victorian house, right, built in 1912 for a merchant prince, now enjoyed by Lawrence Peabody—famed designer of furniture, rugs, and décor—and his family. He is a director of the local Le Centre d'Art and a potent influence in Haiti's craft renaissance. Throughout this idyllic high-ceilinged, galleried mansion are the evidences of native skills mixed in charming counterpoint with Old World and Boston possessions. (A reverse of what New England sea captains did in another era—flavoring spare New England possessions with exotic tropic trophies.) Through the 12-foot jalousies are marvelous views of town, bay, and mountains, and the haunting fragrance of frangipani. Enhancing every room, the old mahogany floors buffed to brilliance by coconut husks. *More*





A section of gallery, top center, as a summery living room where the chairs and sofa are covered in natural Haitian cotton. Carved chest designed by the owner. Sun sculpture, Murat Briere. In the table setting, top right, fish-shape wooden plates and woven-palm mats designed by Mr. Peabody. Through the far jalousies in the living room, lower left, a glimpse of balustrade, part of the stairway to the courtyard. The chandelier, one of an 18th-century French trio chosen by the original owner. The tall old clock in the dining room, center, from Normandy. Table and chairs, Haitian "Country French," circa 1830. Here, another one of the crystal-and-bronze chandeliers. Great for a siesta, the guinstrouw sleeping porch, far right, its vivid primitive mural by Martinez. Nearby, an island Victorian wicker sleigh-bed.









HAITI *continued*





From the stairway, a look into the living room, top left. Below the 18th-century French portrait, a Murat Briere "Adam and Eve" standing on an 18th-century lacquered wedding chest from Japan. The writing-desk corner of a guestroom, top center. Carved blanket chest and painted cube, designed by the owner. Cotton bed cover, over-embroidered with birds and flowers, and sisal rug, both Haitian crafts. Exotica in the same sky-inviting bedroom, top right: Handpainted headboards of Taveneau wood. A 17th-century Florentine tapestry, lower left, above a Hans Wegner sewing table. On it, Cambodian candlesticks. Renaissance triptych. Kwanian santos. A view of young Thomas Peabody's room, center. Headboard appliqued with basketwork. Behind the bed, a wedding from India. A focal point in the boy's room, right, a pineapple-patterned chest painted by Haitian Jasmin Joseph.

LOUIS ISEMS









From the 19th Century, a holiday house in old

SAN JUAN

Original assets of the house, time-proven ways to coolness after reveling in the sun: massive stone walls, high ceilings, marble floors. Complementing these now, the light-handed witty elegance of furnishings mostly in airy outlines, calm colors, with Spanish iron accents to echo the dark of the wooden shutter-doors, window grillwork. As luck symbols here and there, carved elephants from the owner's collection. The interior decorator, William Baldwin,



EDWARD GRAFF

A king-size Spanish lantern, a delicate Italianate bench, a diverting Regency pair of sculptured monkeys at doorsides, a basket of local greenery, all meet amiably in the entryway, left. Made in India and presented to Queen Victoria, the five intricately carved teakwood pieces, now lacquered white, in the living room, right. On the elephant table, tortoise-shell bibelots, a domed coconut box. Reflected in the mirror over the sofa, twin elephant sconces from the Brighton Pavilion. Spanish iron: the wall lantern, the old lance-long weathervane beyond the arch. More











Decorative balance in the fresh-faced dining room, above: Of today, the contemporary painting; in tradition, a series of elephants, one as a table bearing a wine cooler, others—ivory, metal, terra cotta—on the shelf. From the top, left: The narrow house, black-doored; arched windows overlooking a palmy courtyard; guest sitting room, upstairs, a needlepoint rug spread on its ceramic tile.

SAN JUAN *continued*







Looking from the old courtyard into kitchen. above, where a bird nests in the lantern—a lucky omen! From the top, right: Wall fountain set in patterned tile among the arching curves of courtyard greenery: oval opening in guest bedroom, peeking out on a terrace; master bedroom, main floor, with writing desk, bench, and tall wardrobe chest, all antiques from Spain.

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Cloistered hideaway in an art colony

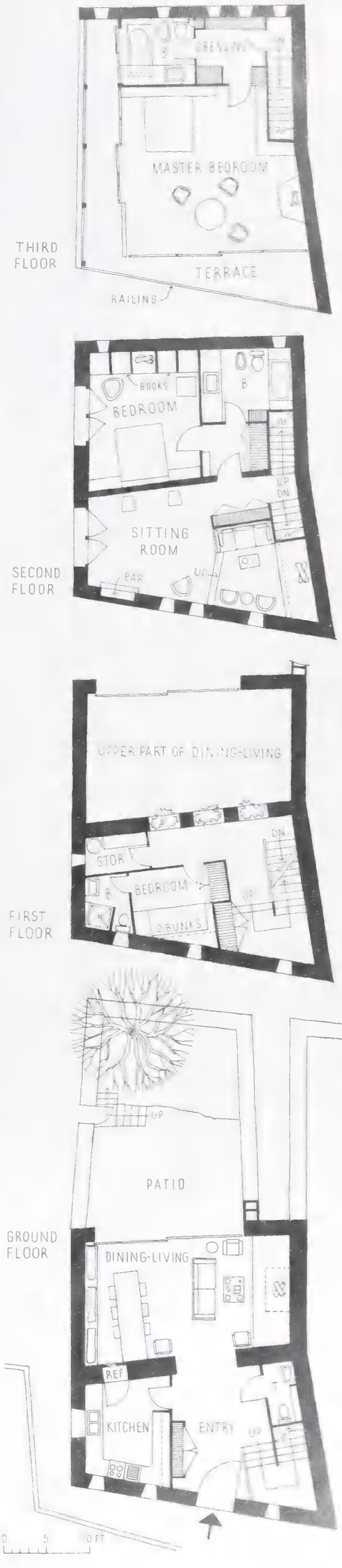
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A whitewashed fishing village on the Mediterranean is artist Mary Callery's home five months of the year. In Cadaqués, north of Barcelona, she escapes the dark of winter, joining her friends in the art colony. She works in her sculpture studio, a stone's throw away from her house. Both were remodeled from old village dwellings by Architect Peter Harnden, an American living in Barcelona.

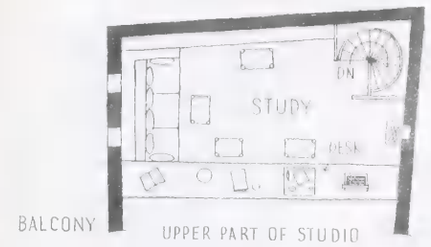


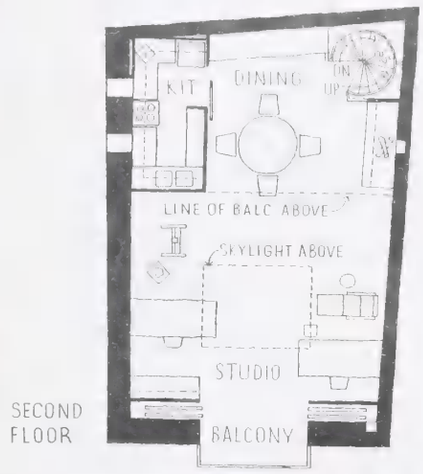
One house back from the waterfront, on a narrow, cobblestone street, is Mary Callery's first house, shown here. (See overleaf for the new studio house.) On the ground floor of the narrow, four-story stone structure is the sun-filled, white-walled living-dining room. A glass wall rising two stories separates the interior and a walled patio. The black stone floor is carpeted with woven straw. On one side is the open hearth with its conical hood. Dark-stained, wood-framed sofa and chair, upholstered in leather, were made in Spain. A huge slab of aged wood forms the dining table extending across the other side of the room. The serving shelf is built into the wall behind the table. The kitchen at the front of the house (see floor plan) is also on the ground level. Guest bedrooms, one with its own sitting room, are reached via a narrow stairwell from the low-ceilinged entrance hall. At the top of the house is the master bedroom with a sparkling view of white stone houses clustered around the town dock. Behind them rise the blue-green hills of Spain.

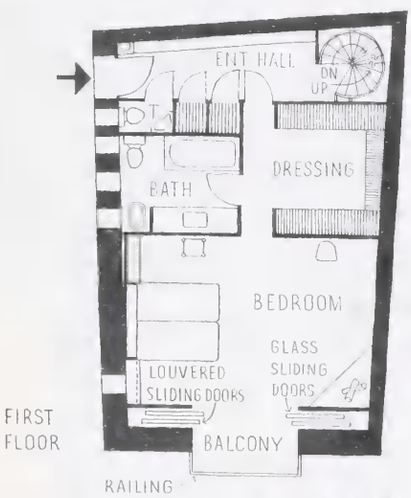
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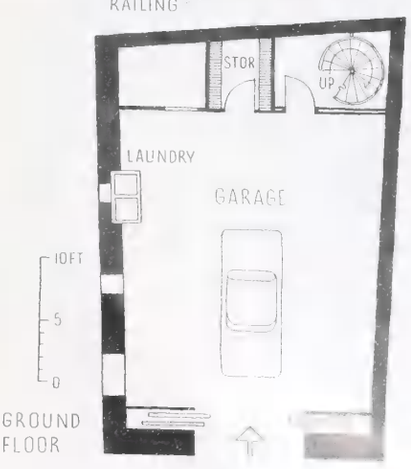


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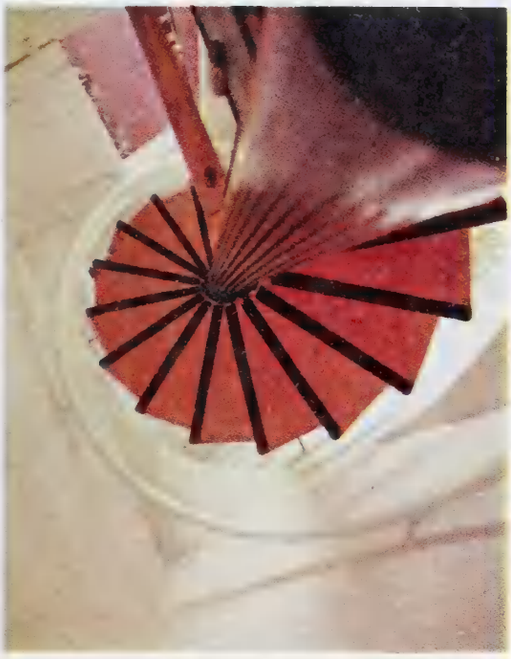
When sculptor Mary Callery needed more space in which to work, she asked Architect Peter Harnden to design a studio house. Like her other house in Cadaqués, it is a remodeled village structure with thick walls of native stone covered with stucco and whitewashed. The two houses are a short walk apart near the waterfront. On the ground floor (see floor plan at left) is the garage, which also serves as the welding studio. The main street entrance, on the first floor, is also on a level with the steeply sloping street. Circular stairs, with teak treads attached to a steel pole, connect the three floors. A bedroom is on the entry level. On the floor above is the two-story-high model studio with all the tools of sculpture at hand. Hanging lights supplement the huge skylight to create perfect working light. To one side of this room is a kitchen, dining area, and fireplace, shown at lower left on facing page. The floor here is covered with local, unglazed terra-cotta clay tiles. Walls are white. At the top of the house, overlooking the tall studio space, is the artist's drawing room and study (photographed at far right) with its long work counter over which hang green-shaded lights. A red carpet covers the teak floor. Each level has a small outdoor balcony floored with green glazed-clay tiles. (The studio balcony is seen top right.) One of Mrs Callery's small sculptures, "Tree," cast in metal as brass and iron, is shown at the right.

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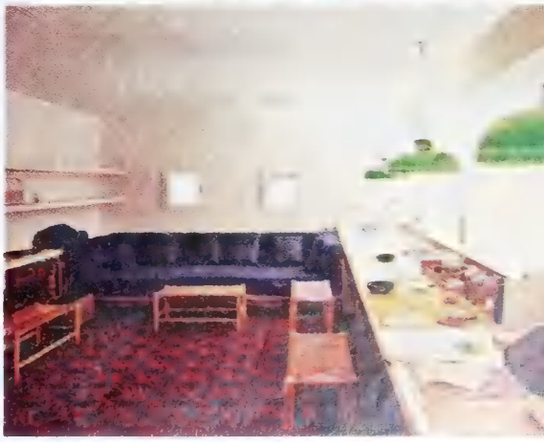














A circular fortress by the sea

SARDINIA

Here, etched against a tranquil Mediterranean sky, a stunning and inventive house, almost aloof in its isolation, the discipline of its geometry a dramatic foil to the craggy rocks of Sardinia's coast. Dominant in the design is the patio below, equidistant from all the rooms, sheltered by gently curving walls. In this circular house, punctuated by sleek rectangular windows, Architect Cini Boeri has solved the eternal problems of a seaside home where beach and leisure can be interrupted, less happily, by fierce winds and rains. ***More***

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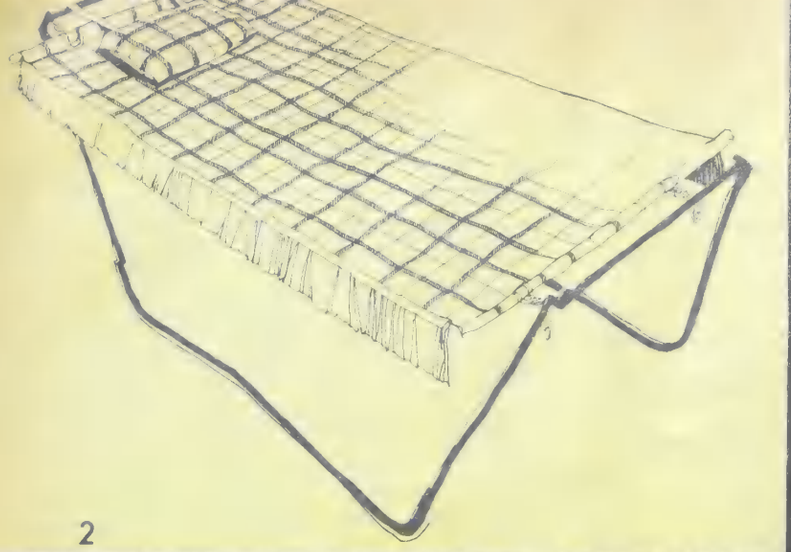
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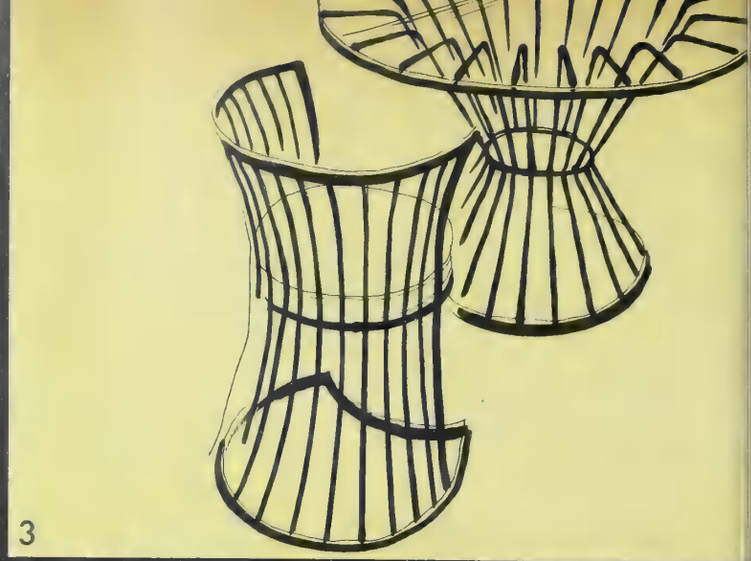


The fascinating play of light and shadow and the wide sweep of the circular form are vividly expressed in the bird's-eye view of the patio, right. Stuccoed walls, an opaque grayish white, seem to reflect changes from sun to storm in the sea and sky. Decoration is utterly simple, sober, comfortable. In the living room, top, an orange sofa is built into a curve. Winding lamps carry out the circular theme. In the dining room, one level below, a window frames the sea.

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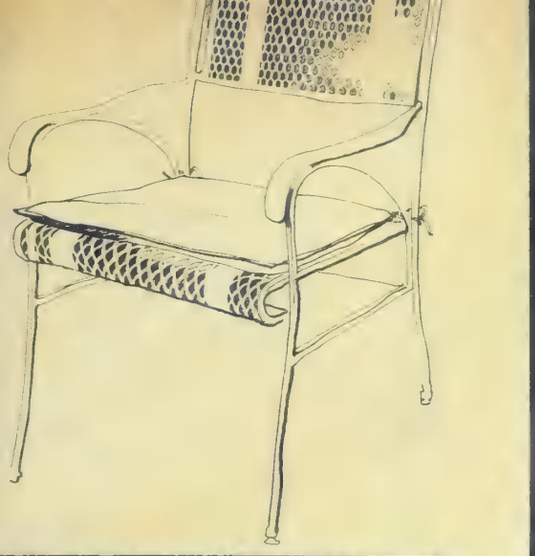
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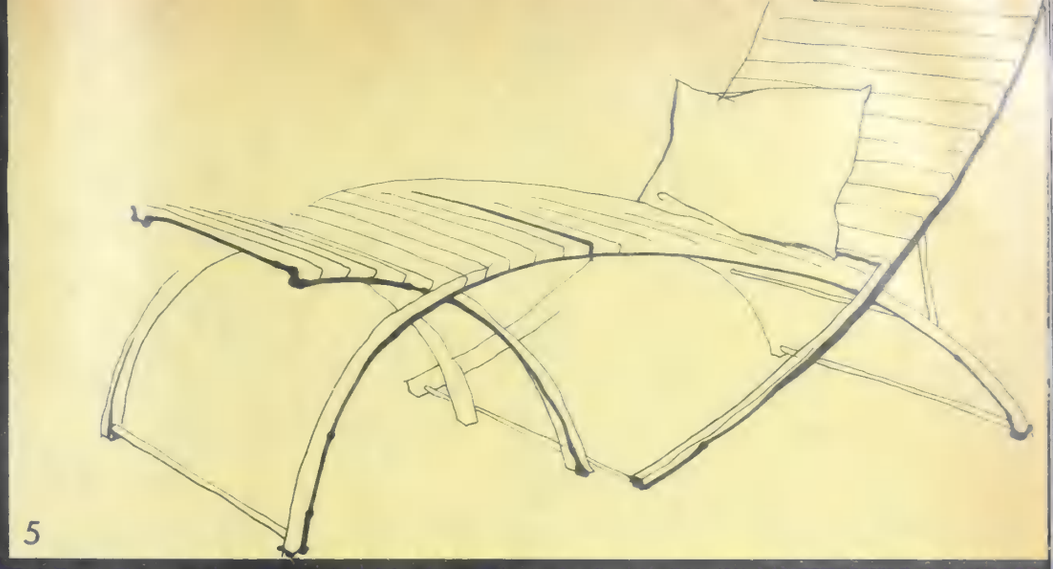
TAKING THE SUN: A PREVIEW

By HARRIET MORRISON

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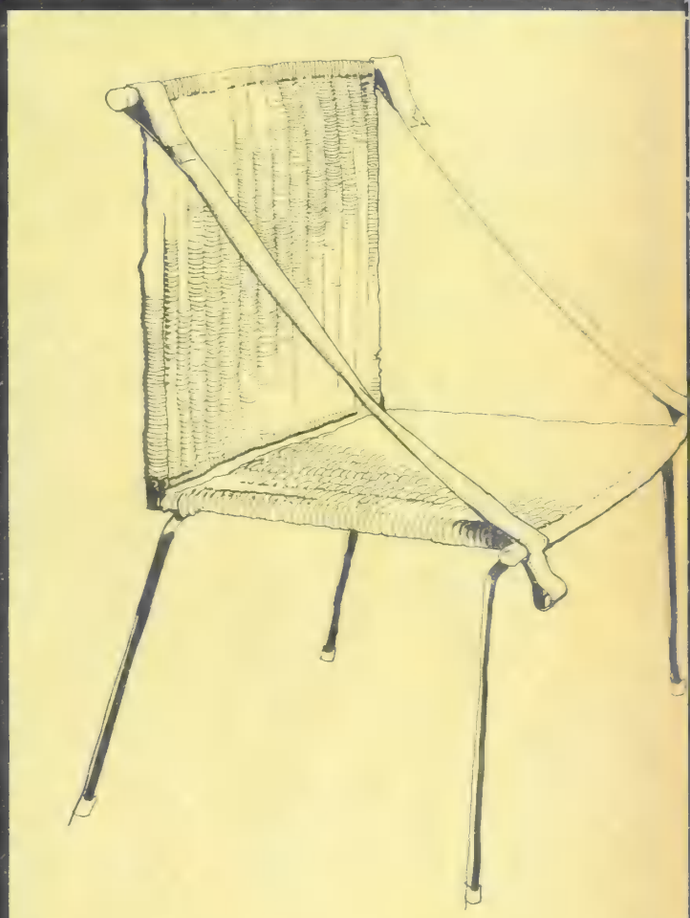




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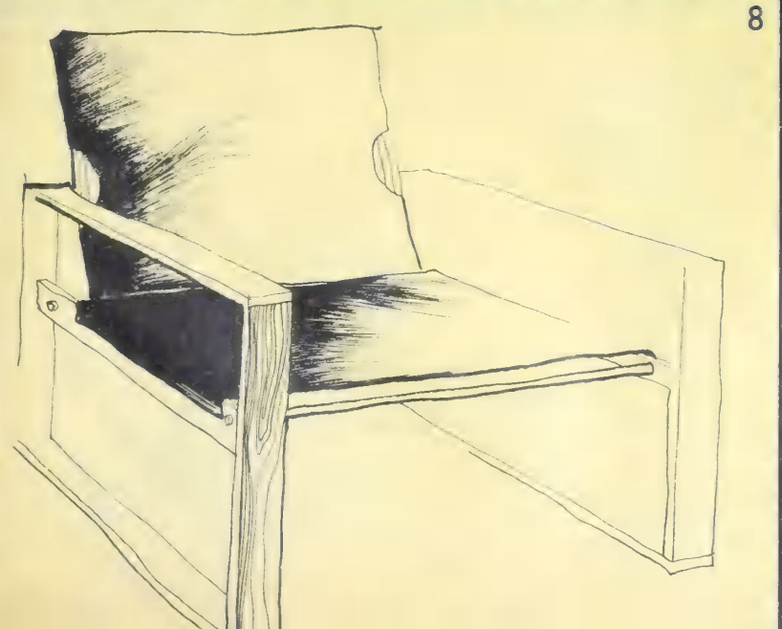
1. A lotus leaf inspired this generously scaled rattan pedestal chair by Miller Yee Fong. Tropi-Cal. $340.
2. Siesta hammock, with four-point suspension frame for stability, has its own matching pillow attached. In plaid, with white fringe. George McArthur. $20.
3. Bold linear motif characterizes this dining group, "Torii" in sturdy all-weather wrought iron. By Thinline of Brown-Jordan. Table with glass top. $160. Curving side chairs to match have white cushions. $65.
4. Handsome dining chair with armrest curved to fit the hand. In lightweight aluminum. By Scroll. $45.
5. Intersecting arcs of metal wrapped with vinyl straps. Sun-bright in all yellow. Brown-Jordan. $150.
6. Fold down the back of this trim Bermuda chair and stack several for parties. Rattan by Hurricane. $20.
7. Trim settee for indoors or out has diamond-patterned expanded metal seat, back. "Hoopla" by Gallo. $70.
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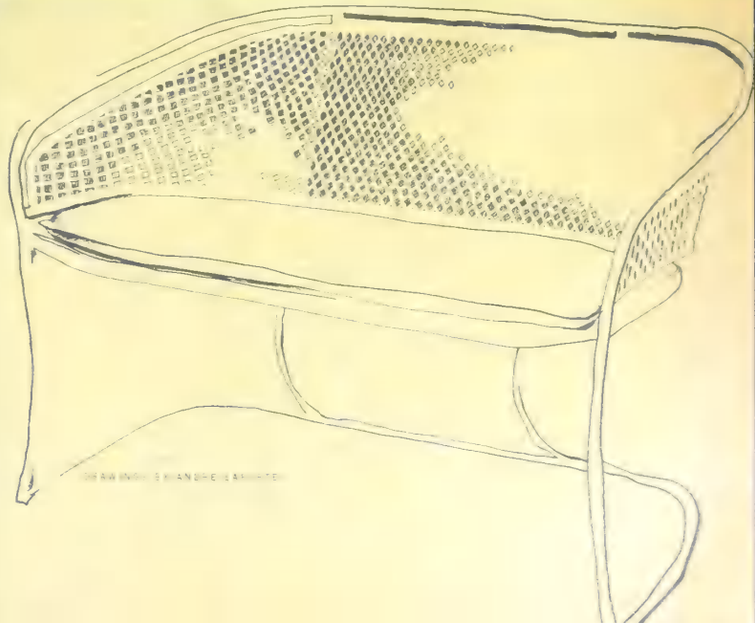


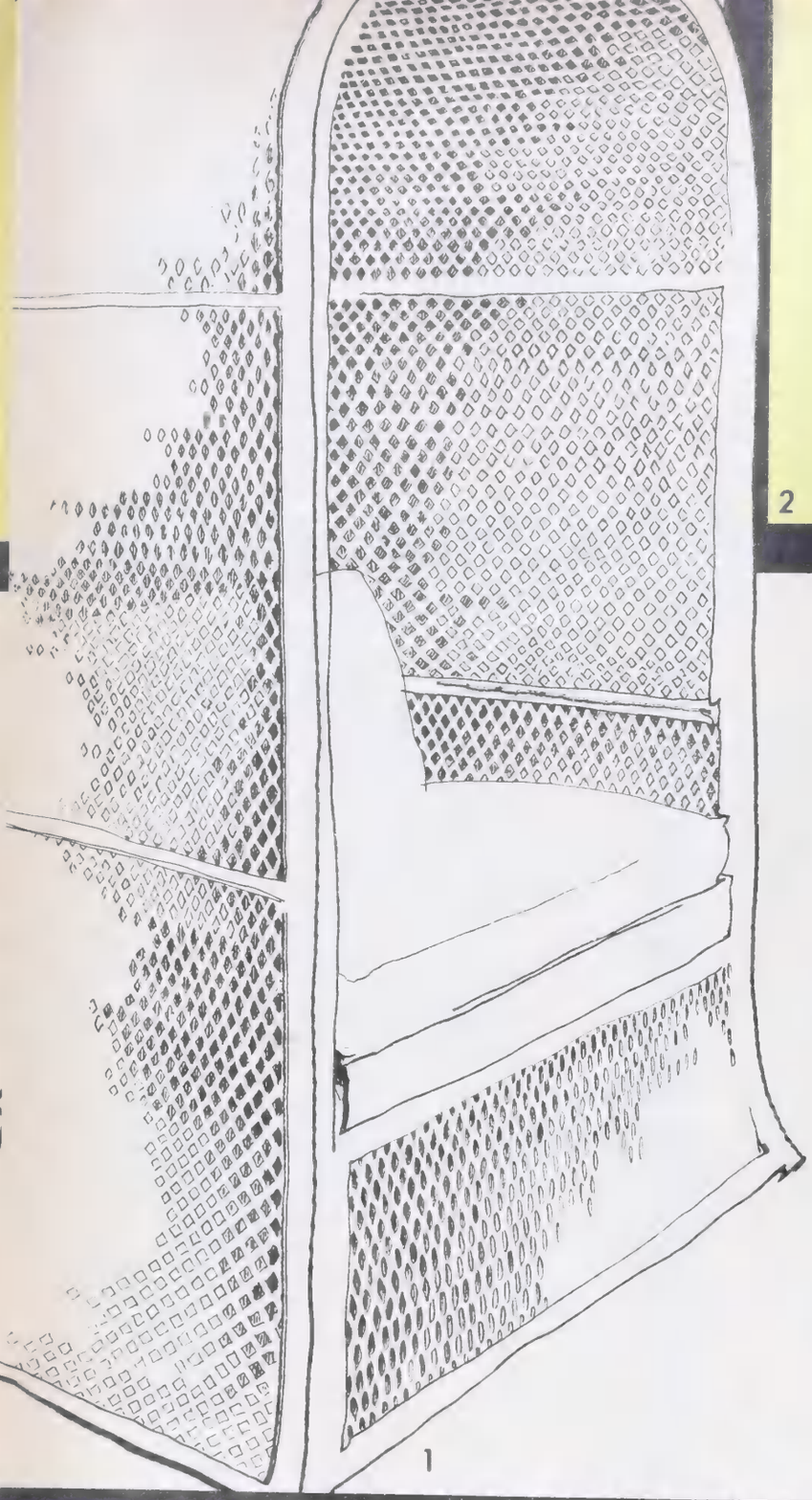
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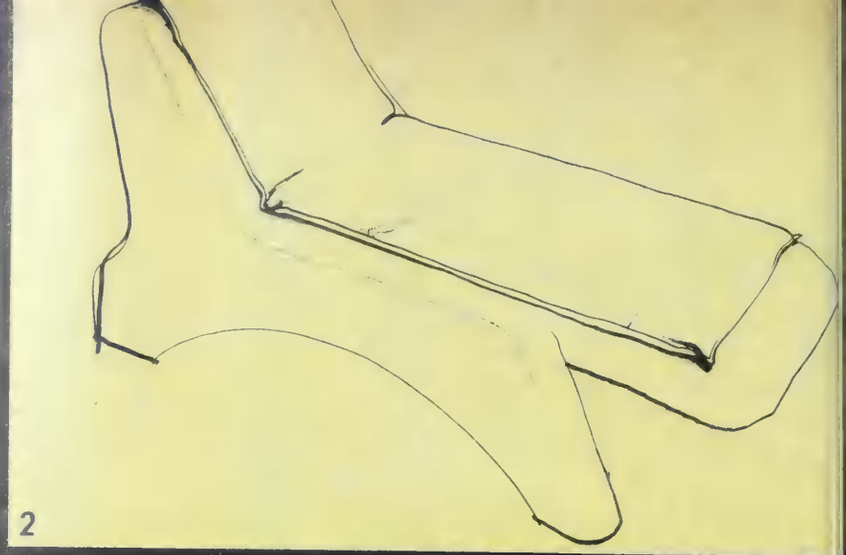


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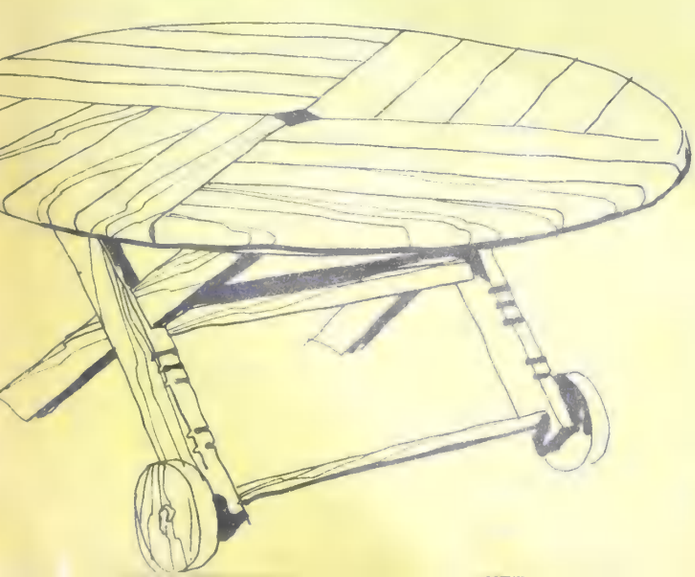
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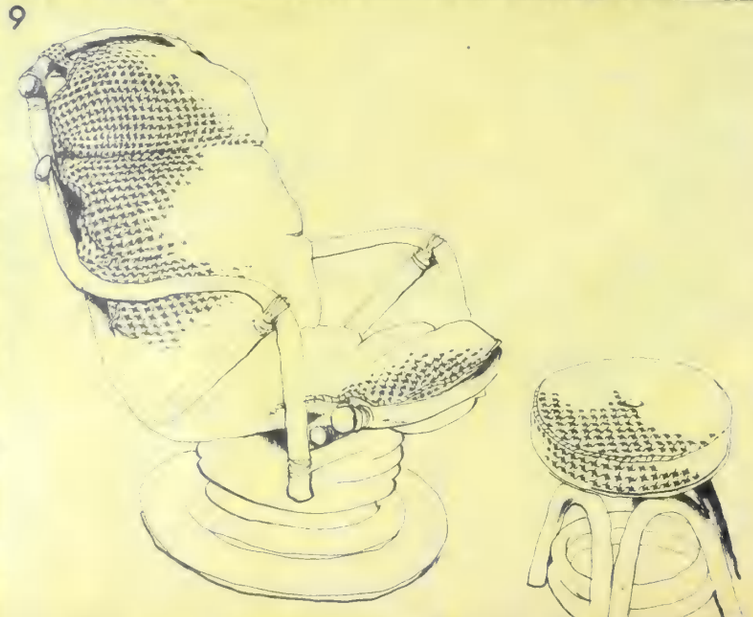
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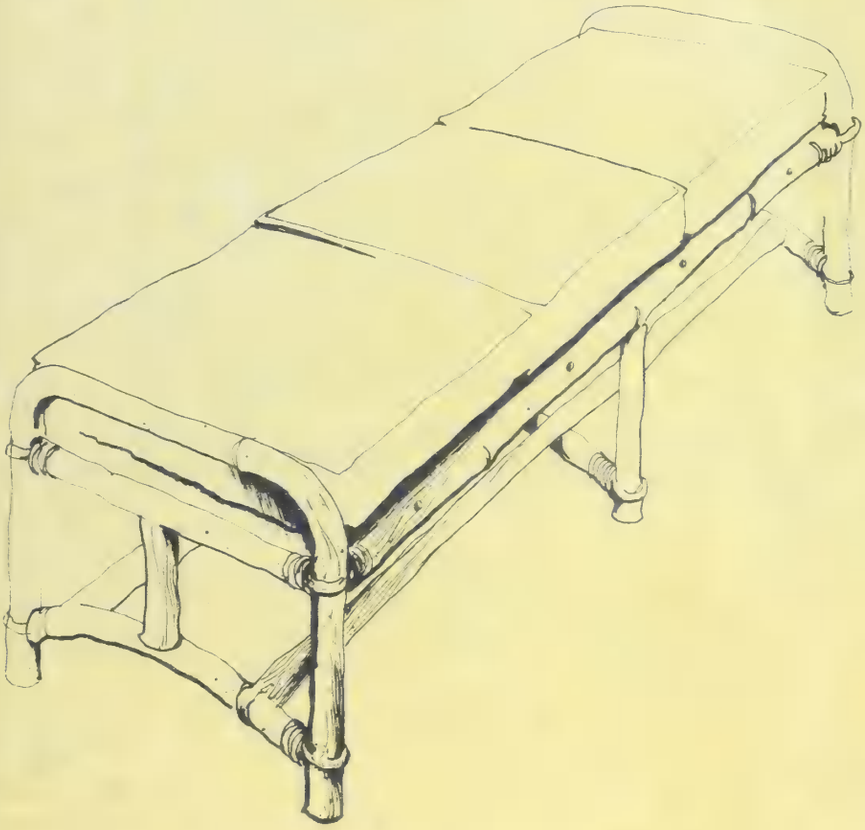


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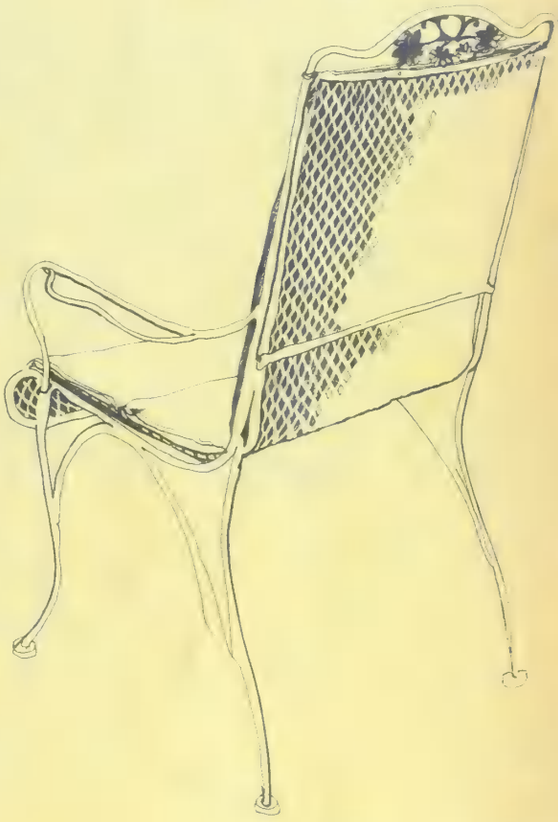


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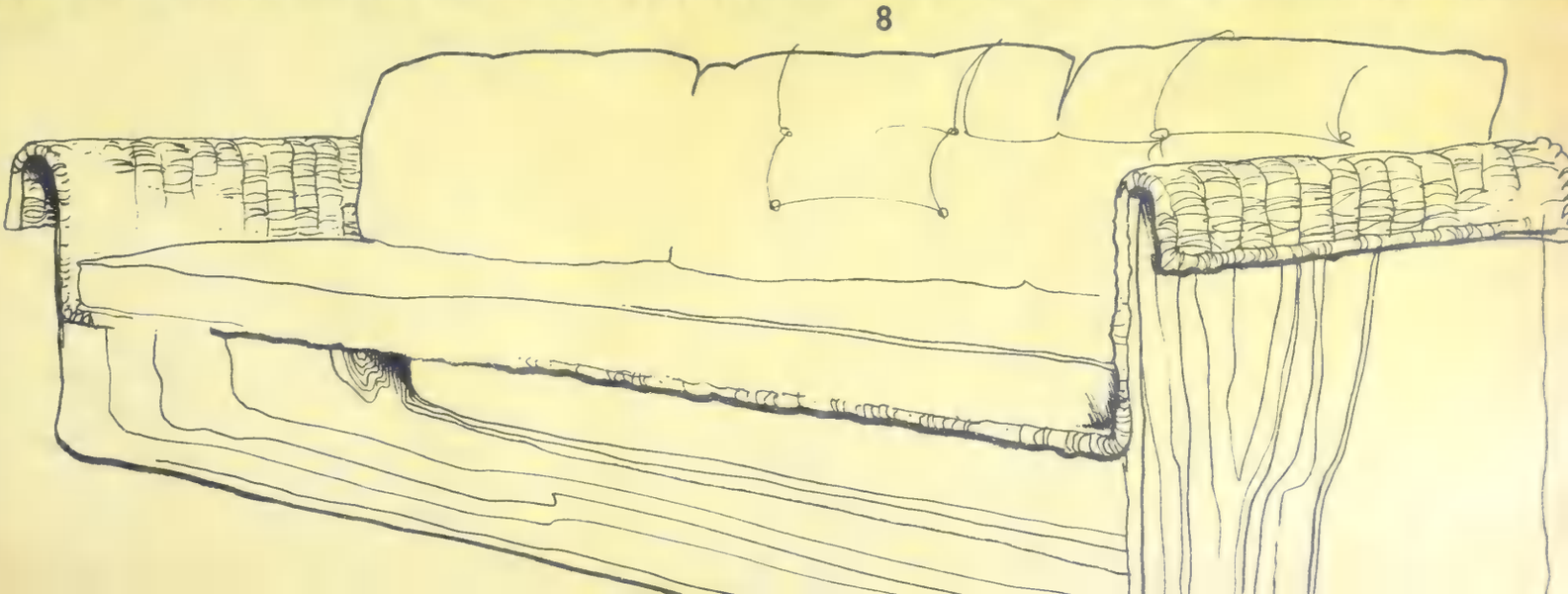
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The adaptable deck: an expanding idea for the house

A STAGE FOR THE SUN

Very practical extensions of informal living space, wood decks and balconies are easy to keep up and keep clean, dry soon after a shower, involve only basic carpentry, and are significantly less costly than added similar space inside the house. Five beautifully designed examples on these four pages. Building data on page 78.

By JOHN H. INGERSOLL

An invitation to privacy above the trees

Thin wood-strip deck, above, soars over a fall-away lot near San Francisco. Dining with a view is easily managed, since the kitchen is only a few steps away through glass doors. Design by Landscape Architect Lawrence Halprin.

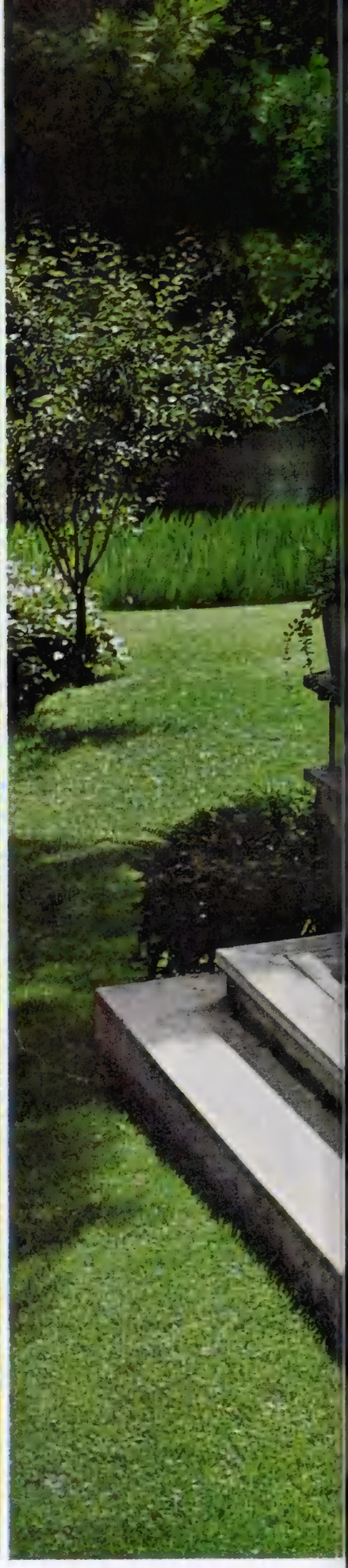
An extraordinary site, fittingly exploited

Little wonder Architect Ralph Anderson designed more than one outdoor space for his Seattle home (there's still another balcony around the corner of the house). In the distance, across the blue of Puget Sound, the Olympic range.









Above a ravine, space for outdoor entertaining

Sliding glass doors lead directly from living and dining areas to this mid-tree deck, top left, cantilevered above a steep lot in Lake Forest, Illinois. Design: Roy Binkley.



Cool, soft shadows during the heat of the day

Well-designed decks are oriented to capture some shade. Left: a sitting area softened by filtered light through a fiber-glass roof. Design: Robert Chittock, Seattle, Washington.

Appropriate stage for an extravagant scene

Handsome, bleached wood deck, above, illustrates how easily this structure overcomes the problems of an uneven lawn. In Winnetka, Illinois, designed by Architect Francis Stanton.

BUILDING A GOOD DECK: THE WHYS AND

A deck (or a balcony) can add immeasurably to the appearance of a property, as the photographs on the preceding pages and below stunningly illustrate. But while beauty is a highly desirable—even necessary—element in deck design, there are other more practical explanations for the present popularity of decks. Here are three:

Level outdoor space. A level lawn is a rarity on the order of alligators in Lake Michigan. A deck evens out the natural bumps and dips in a relatively smooth lawn, and rescues a sloping lot from being little more than a view. In addition, the deck goes up with little or no earth-moving and a minimum of underpinnings.

Adaptability. Curves, polygons, rectangles—almost any shape is possible. Decks at two or more levels, connected by steps—a simple matter. Is there a lovely old tree you want to save? Build your deck around it. Or add plantings, as in the scene below. And more: Consider a deck around a pool, a deck with a sunken fish pond, a deck with a fire pit, a deck with a built-in sandbox for preschoolers. All this has been done before with a minimum of fuss.

Moderate cost. Adding interior space to your home at today's rates will cost you between $15 and $25 a square foot. Rarely would the outdoor space you gain with a deck cost more than $5 a square foot. And there are more than a few cases when that price is below $2. Striking an average price in each case, a 15′ by 20′ family room would cost $6,000; a 15′ by 20′ wood deck, $1,050: a $4,950 difference—something to consider.

It would appear so far that on the subject of decks, "everything is for the best in this best of all possible worlds." Not altogether. Deck construction has increased at such a rapid pace that deck technology is occasionally left behind. Not that deck technology is so complicated, but like anything custom built, there are poor, good, better, and best ways for doing the job.

Perhaps one of your first questions is "Can I be sure the deck is safe?" Assuming you've taken the trouble to learn about the capabilities and reputation of the contractor, the answer is yes. Stress limits for construction lumber have long ago been detailed in manuals. For example, an experienced architect or builder would know without referring to the tables that Douglas fir can span a greater distance than Eastern white pine (which is used more often in finish work). And he would also know the requirements for fastenings and footings.

Even if you choose to build your own deck (and a



On Lake Oswego, a magnificent view of the water

Gentle lapping against concrete piers supporting this deck sets a peaceful mood for sunning. Tree is a vine maple in a sheet-metal planter on a concrete base. Wood is pressure-treated Douglas fir. Design by Landscape Architects Huntington & Roth, Portland, Oregon, for the Robert Spahrs.

SOME OF THE HOWS

surprising number of homeowners do), the chances for underdesigning the structure are small. Lumber yards give away, or sell at a moderate charge, clear, eminently safe plans for constructing a variety of decks, raised or at ground level. One note: Before happily attacking the project, call the local building department and find out if decks and balconies are included in the building code—assuming there is one in your community. If decks are listed, learn what the requirements are, and meet them.

If safety isn't a serious concern, what can go wrong? Unfortunately, it's quite possible for a safe deck to look sloppy. The use of green lumber (lumber not seasoned or kiln-dried) could start warpage that might eventually make the planking look like an army of snakes. Or poor workmanship might produce planking annoyingly askew, or uneven spacing between planks. Not serious problems; just nettling. All the more reason to select a contractor you can depend on, or take pains to be careful yourself.

Since construction plans are readily available, there's no reason to elaborate here on the precise techniques for assembling a deck or balcony. But there are some points that may (1) save you money, or (2) help you get a better deck.

First, there is the choice of wood. Starting at the bottom, any wood that will be in contact with the ground, or rest directly on concrete piers in the soil, should be decay-resistant. That means you should buy construction-grade heartwood of redwood, cedar, or cypress—three species that are naturally resistant to decay. Or you buy construction-grade lumber of any species that has been pressure-treated with a preservative.

Structural members—the beams and joists below the deck, not in contact with piers or the soil—can be any construction-grade lumber. But keep in mind that the stronger species are somewhat less costly as the deck size increases (since you need less members). Two of the strongest are Douglas fir and Southern yellow pine. Less readily available, but equally strong, is Western larch, and Western hemlock isn't far behind.

Decking, railings, benches, and other topside elements are serviceable when built with any of these woods, with some qualifications. In a natural state, and unfinished, the decay-resistant woods—redwood, cedar, and cypress—are best. Moisture and resin content is low in these woods, which means less warping, and very little, if any, bleeding (more about that below). The grain is relatively close, and these species are resistant to checking and splitting from exposure to weather over the years.

If you should select spruce or fir, pine or hemlock, insist on kiln-dried lumber. Heat in the kilns not only removes excessive moisture from the wood, but the process "fixes the pitch." That is, the pitch, or natural resins in the wood is immobilized within the grain. Should you buy newly cut and undried wood, or even seasoned wood in these species, there is a strong possibility that the pitch will seep out of the wood pores, a condition familiarly called bleeding. This sticky residue gums up shoes and bare feet on decks, and stains clothing when it seeps through wood used for benches and back rests.

Compared on the basis of long-term maintenance, the decay-resistant woods again have a slight edge over less resistant species. For example, you could leave a redwood deck permanently unfinished. The wood turns a lovely silver-gray, and remains remarkably stable. In contrast, a pine deck, left unfinished, reacts poorly to weathering. Although the wood isn't impaired structurally, the fibers do tend to stretch, manifested in checks and splits, and weakened surface fibers (which translates into splinters). These conditions are arrested easily enough with a yearly application of sealer, or stain, or paint. Naturally, if you wish, you can put a finish on redwood, cedar, or cypress, too. Here are a few thoughts on outdoor finishes:

If you want to maintain the natural color of the wood, this is easily achieved with a water-repellent or colorless sealer. Start with two coats, and follow up with a fresh coat once every twelve months or so.

Or you may prefer the handsome gray of weathered wood, but don't care to wait for the change to occur naturally. Buy a commercial bleaching agent, made expressly for this purpose, sold in paint stores. Apply it once. That should be enough, but if portions of the surface begin to *(Continued on page 27)*





EZRA STOLLER

Sun-circles in the subtropics

ELEUTHERA

Two or three times a year, Architect Thorne Sherwood and his wife escape from Stamford, Connecticut's busy pace to the pleasant idling of island life on British-owned Eleuthera in the Bahamas. Eleuthera (from the Greek, meaning "free") is everyman's dream of an island Utopia—deliciously lethar-

fragrant with oleander and hibiscus, and, to the residents' delight, still "undiscovered."

This house, designed by Mr. Sherwood, is a free but logical interplay of two circular pavilions and a deeply sheltered connecting terrace. Its form is as simple as the blissful reality of an island in the sun. *More*

Rising above a winding stretch of white beach, "Round House" is, for all its drama, a snug sanctuary in the hurricane-prone subtropics. Because of its circular form and sparse fenestration, the owners can "button it up and patiently sit it out," should the breeze turn from gentle to tempestuous. Right, the intersecting circle of the terrace, with its splendid water views, is a place for sunning or a retreat from the sun. Under the parasol-like roof of the living room, below, the circular furniture reflects the geometry of the architecture. Throughout the interior, uncomplicated accoutrements and flowing ceramic tile floors create a coolly elegant setting.





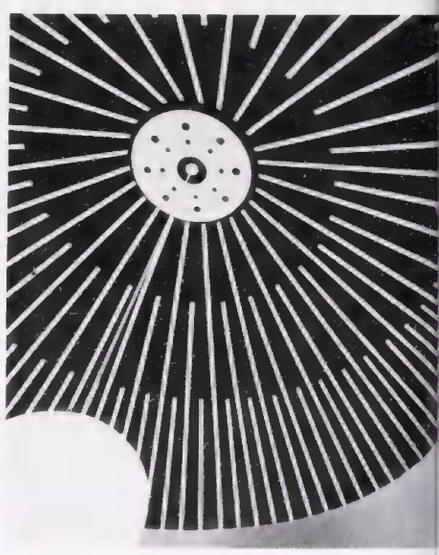
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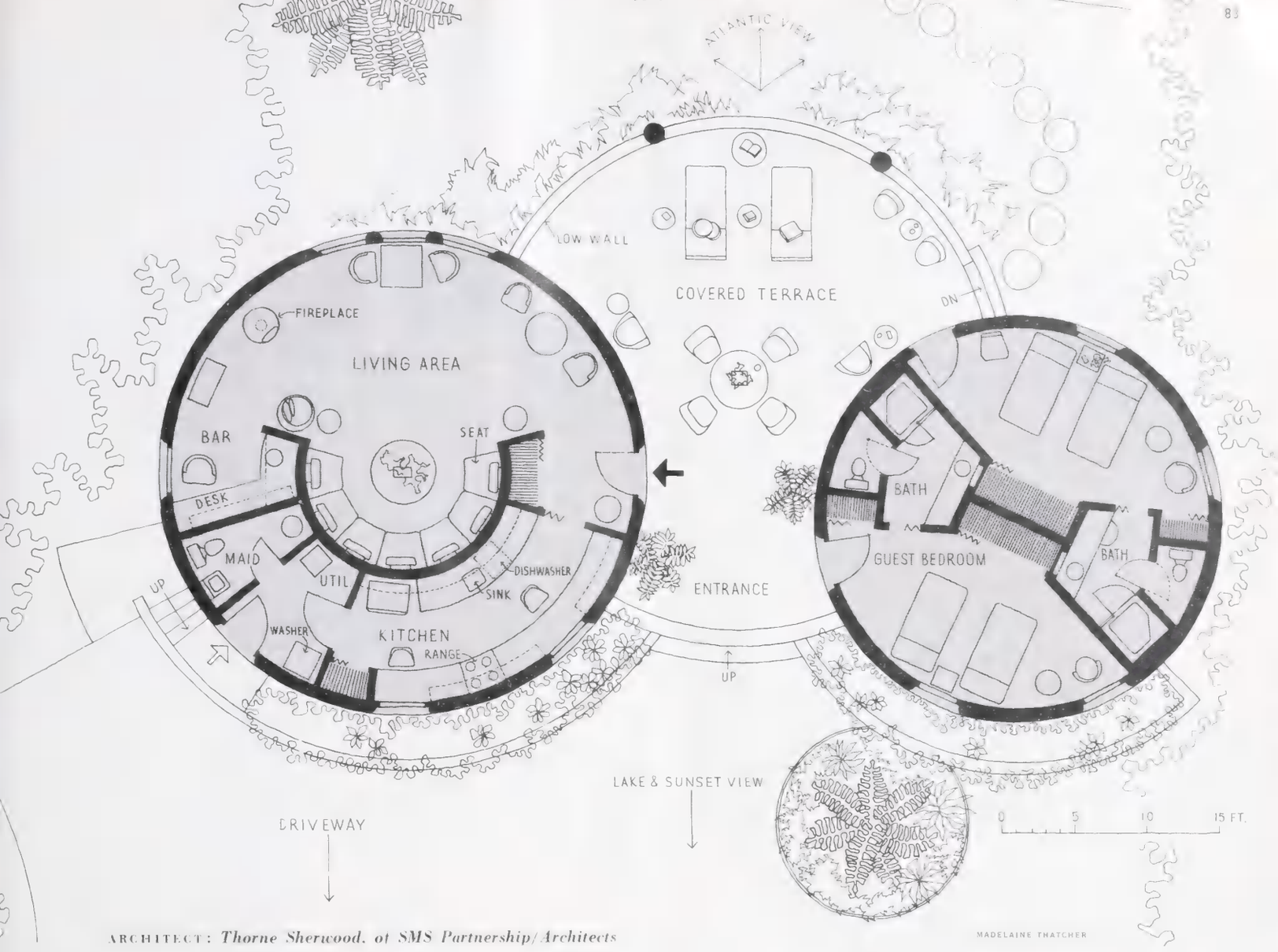
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The kitchen, within a curve of the circle that faces west toward brilliant sunset views, operates with all the efficiency of the Sherwoods' Connecticut kitchen, and at the window, redwood louvers control the stream of light. The ribbed roof, below right, painted black and white, appropriately suggests the cabana life.

EZRA STOLLER







ARCHITECT: *Thorne Sherwood, of SMS Partnership/Architects*

In the floor plan, above, the larger pavilion, 30 feet in diameter, encloses service, kitchen, and living areas, separated only by low partitions. The smaller pavilion, 30 feet in diameter, holds two bedrooms and two baths, a storage area, and, concealed between the ceiling and roof, the pressure tanks for domestic water supply. The roofs of both pavilions catch rainwater and store it in an enormous cistern under the central terrace. The bar-study area, right, set into a recessed section of the living room, is sheltered by a low partition. Haitian primitive on the top shelf is from the owners' extensive collection of island painting and sculpture.



Like a stage backdrop for the flowers, sylvan eucalyptus trees tower over a carpet of velvety green.

A GARDEN WITH NONSTOP BLOOM

Continuous color is achieved by planning well, planting naturally abundant varieties, and giving them the proper care.

By ELVIN McDONALD

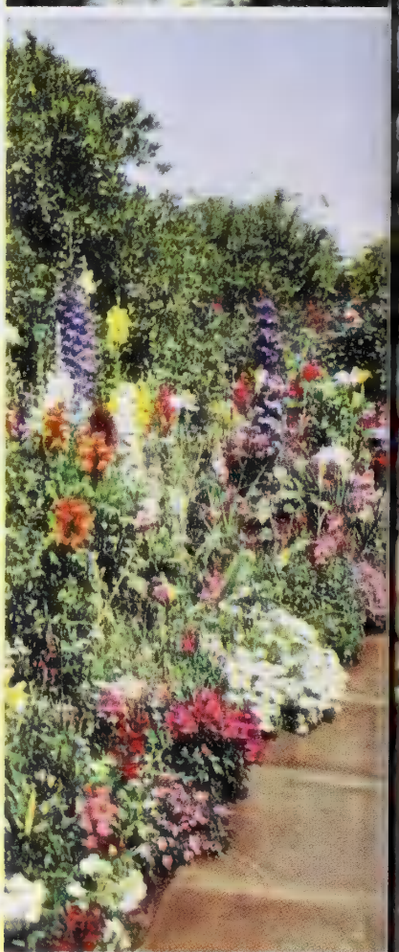


On three-and-a-half acres in West Los Angeles, Calif., the garden of Mr. and Mrs. John Irving Anderson blooms brilliantly in all seasons. Their success is derived in part from a sunny climate and constant watering and feeding, but perhaps more important is the Andersons' deep love of gardening. She plans the color schemes and, though she has considerable help, spends a part of each day working in the garden. More than 400 roses, like those at left, give fragrant bloom all year. Monthly feeding keeps the lawns lush and green. Through fall and winter there are camellias and azaleas. Each spring the herbaceous borders, near right and opposite page, receive some 25,000 annuals bought in flats from a local nursery. These include snapdragons, ageratum, candytuft, stock, semperflorens begonias, alyssum, and delphiniums (treated as annuals). In autumn, at least 2,000 sparaxis, Mr. Anderson's favorite spring bulb, are planted, along with daffodils, narcissus, freesias, and Dutch iris. Mrs. Anderson especially likes bronzy-leafed begonias (below right), and maroon-leafed iresines, which she masses near the silvery eucalyptus. When the Andersons give a party, they bring the garden close by using container plants, like the fuchsias and daisies above.

HAROLD DAVIS





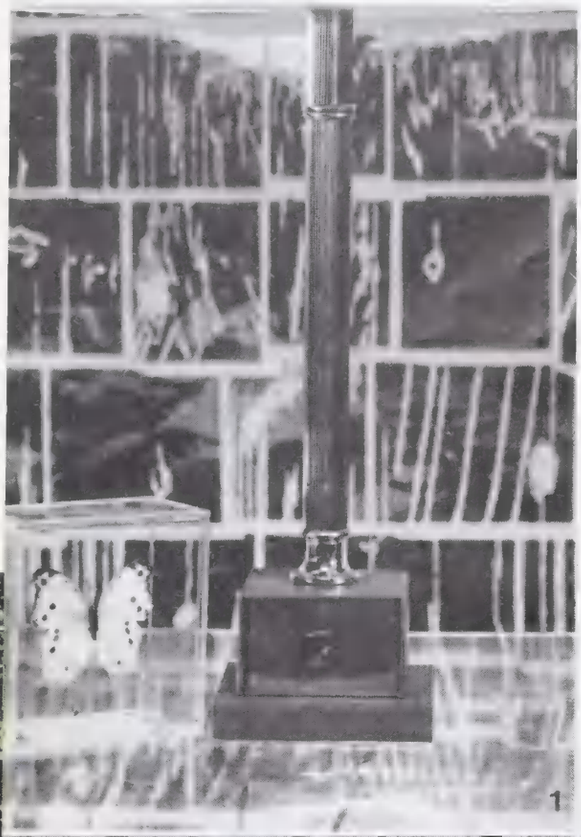






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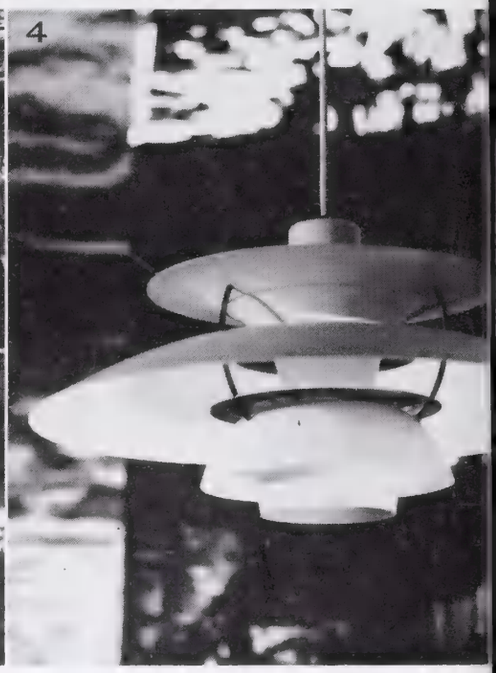


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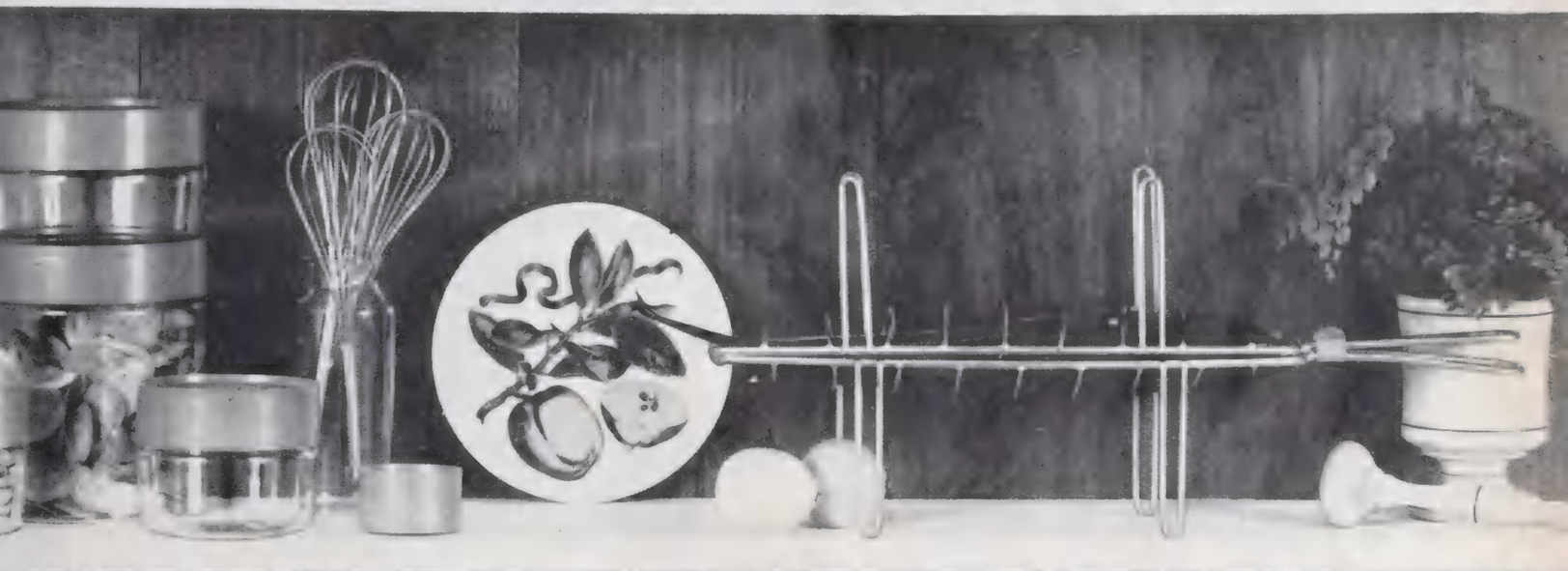


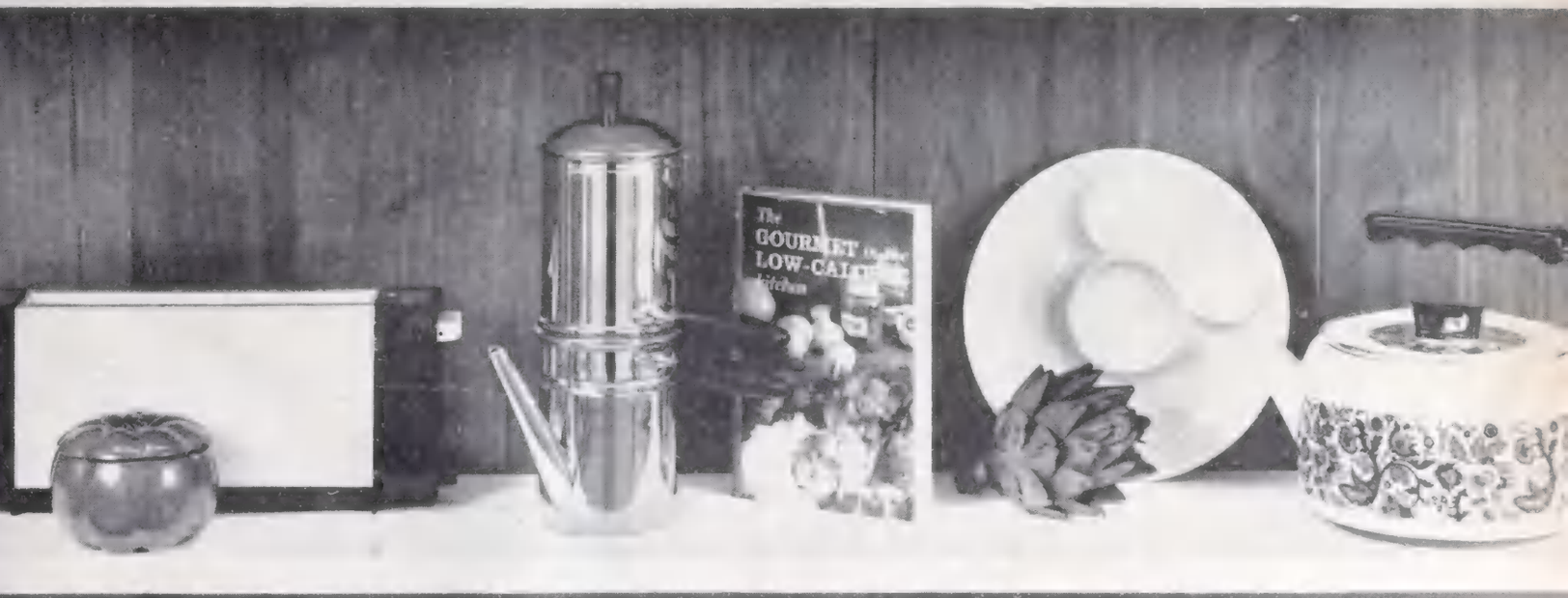
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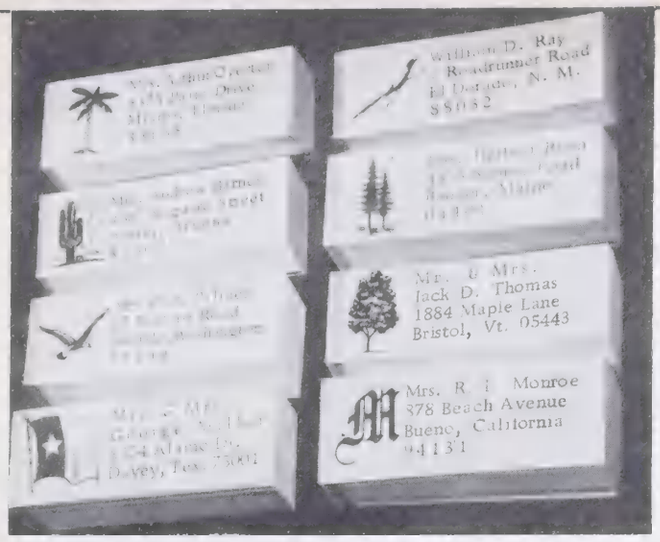






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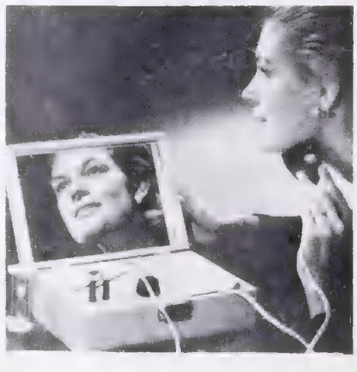
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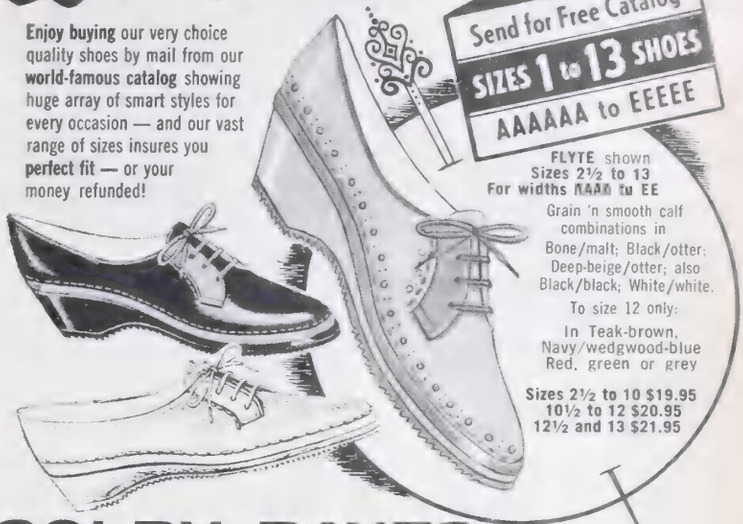


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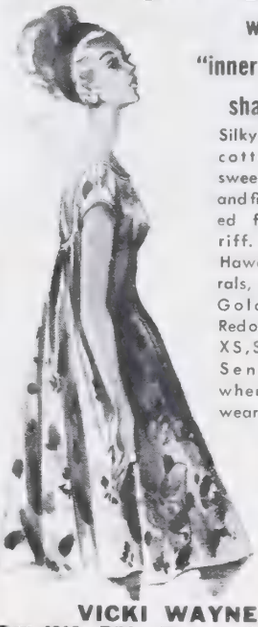


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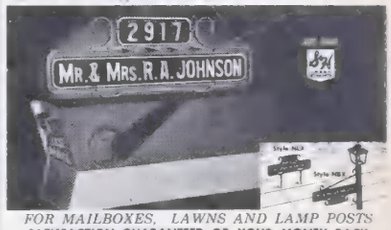
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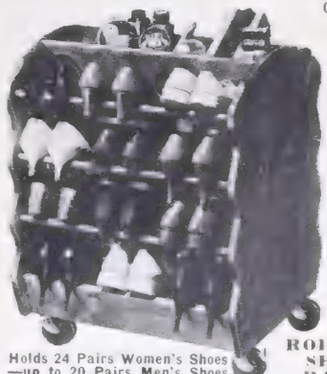
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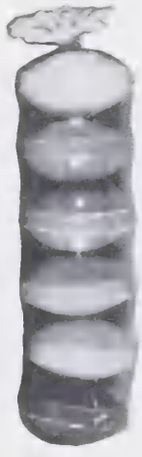
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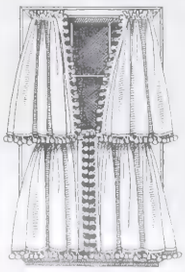
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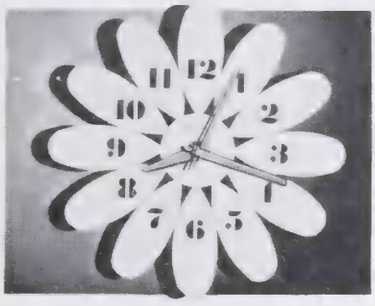


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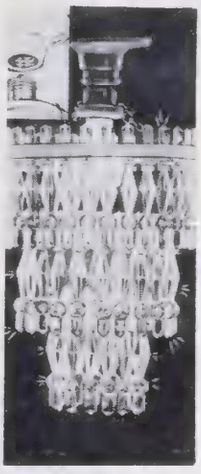
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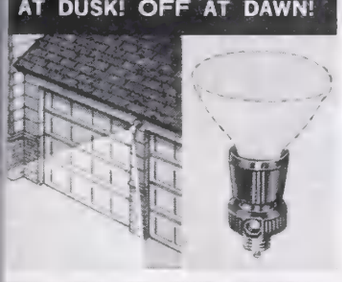
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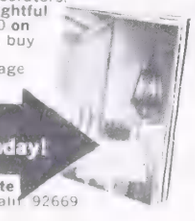
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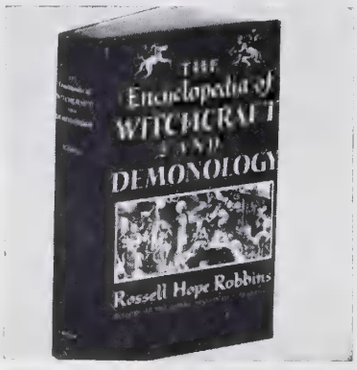
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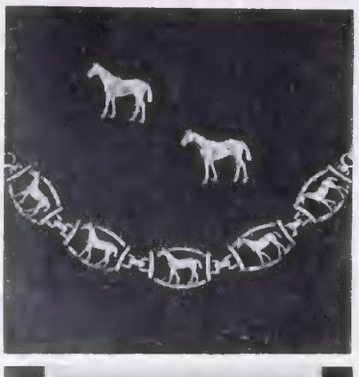
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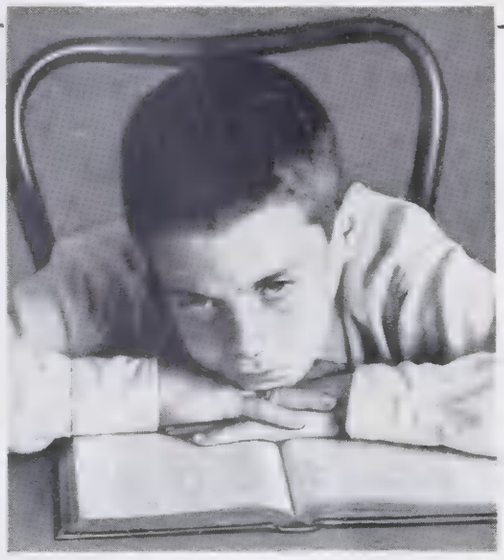
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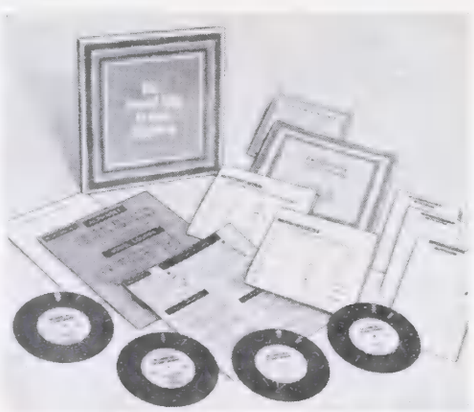


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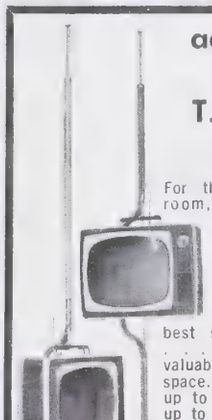


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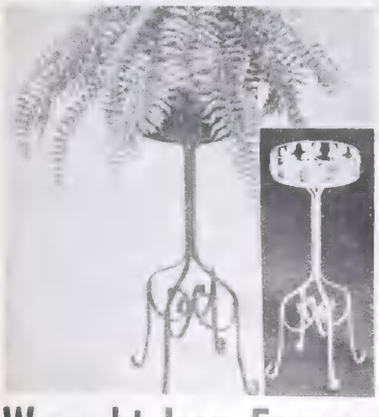
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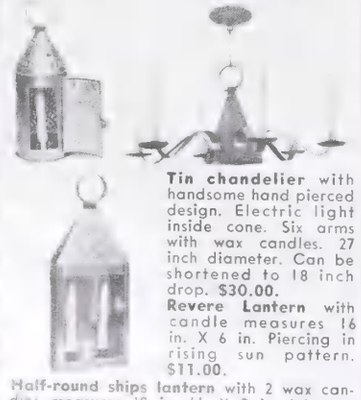
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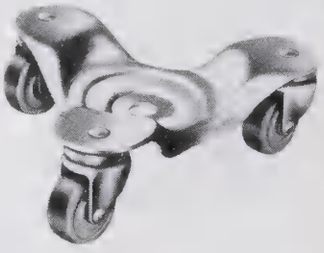
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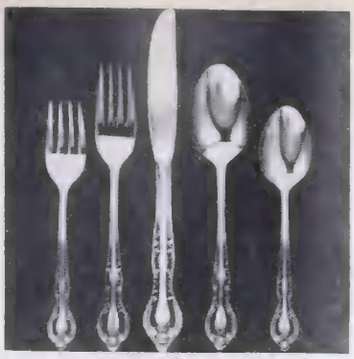
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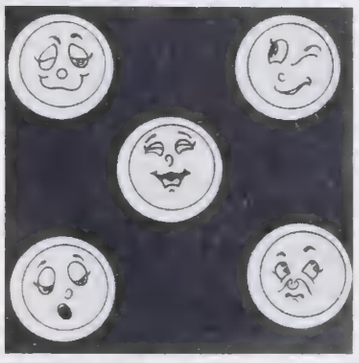
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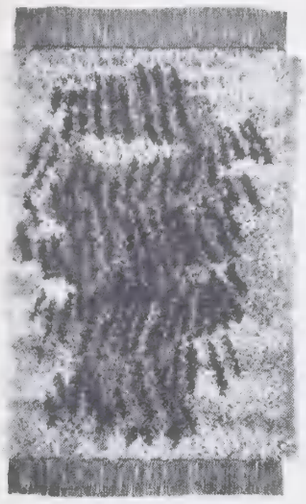
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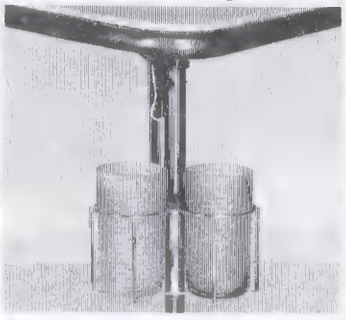
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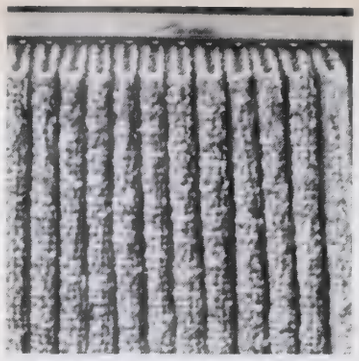


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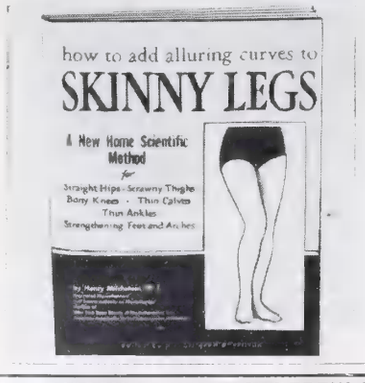
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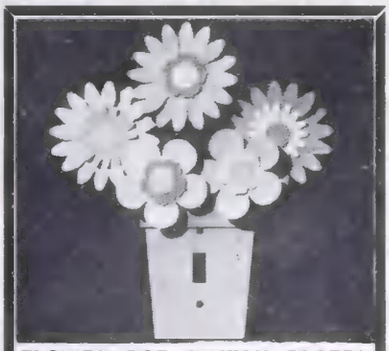
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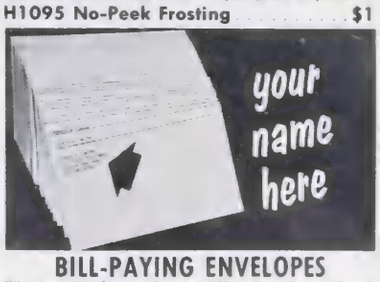
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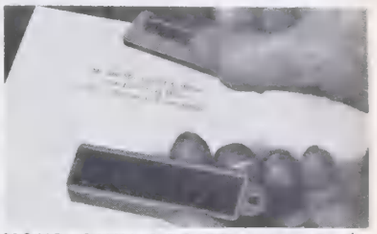
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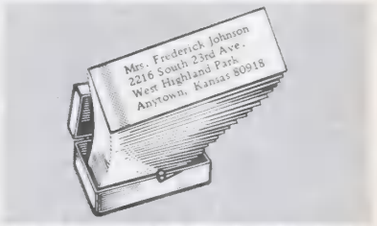
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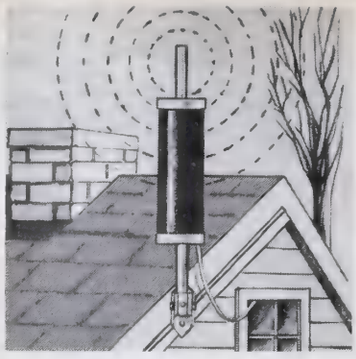


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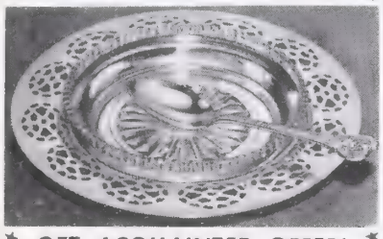
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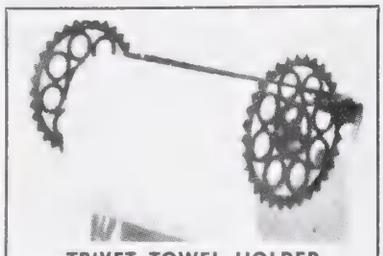
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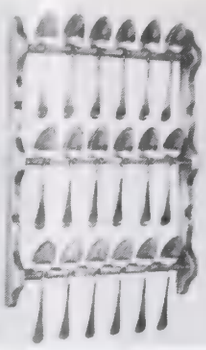
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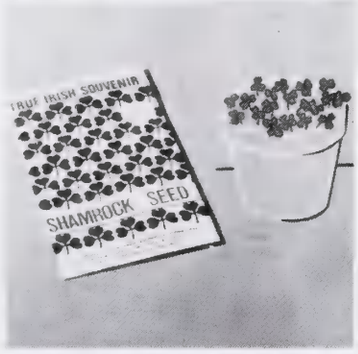
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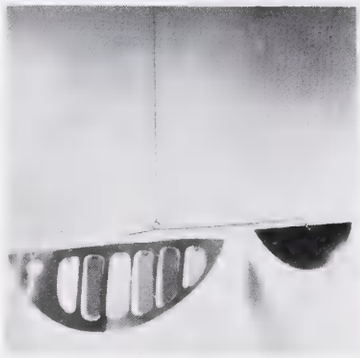
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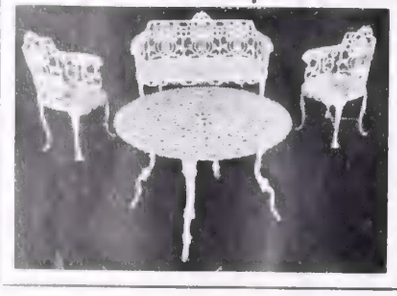
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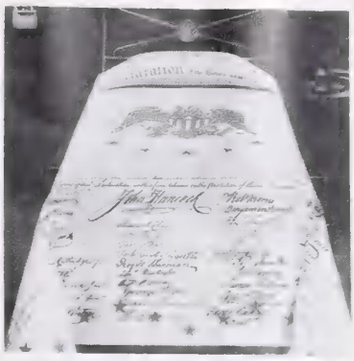
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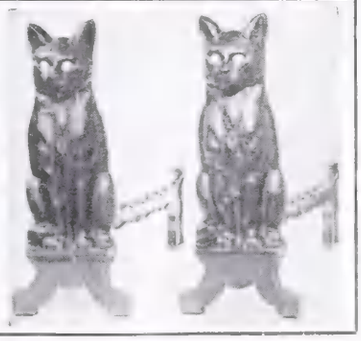
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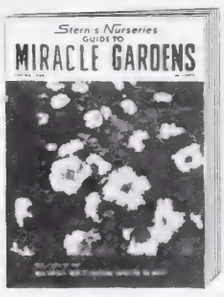
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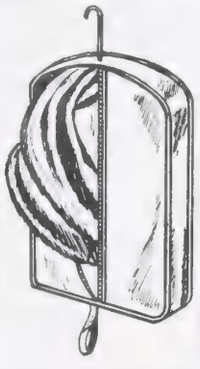


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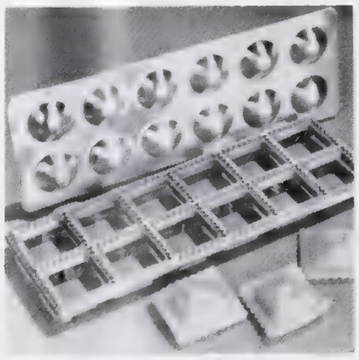
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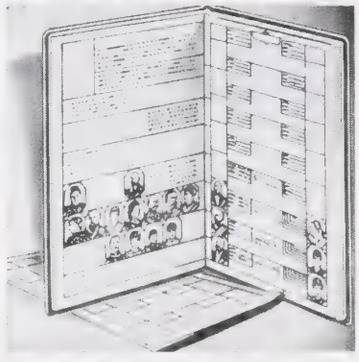
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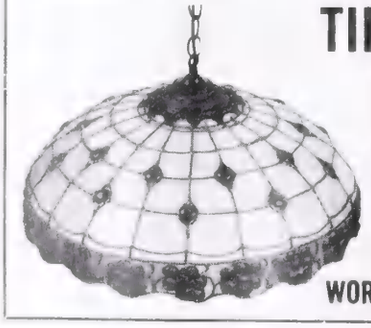
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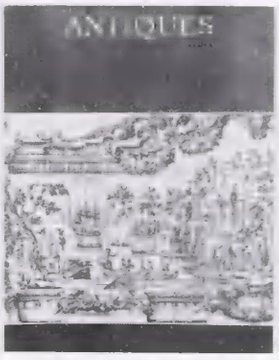
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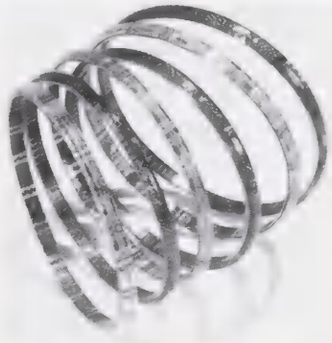
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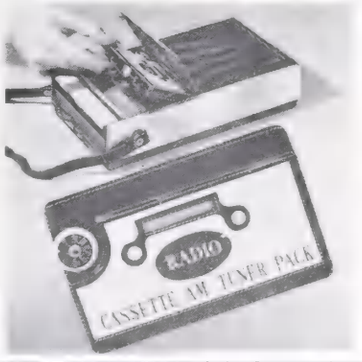
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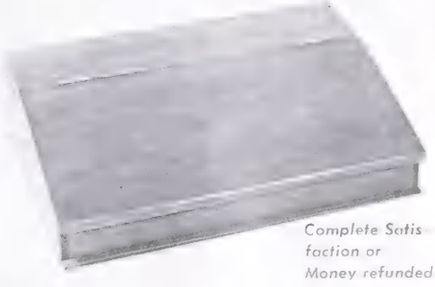
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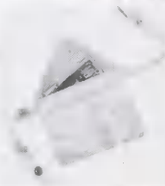
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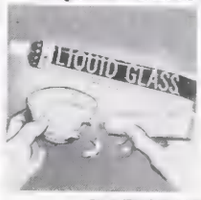
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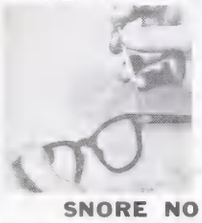
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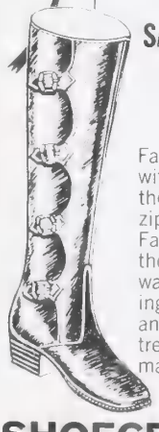
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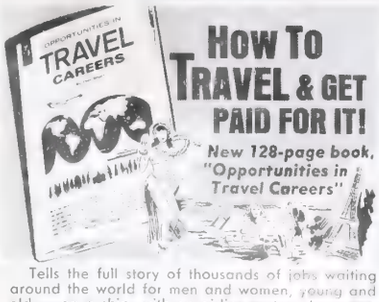
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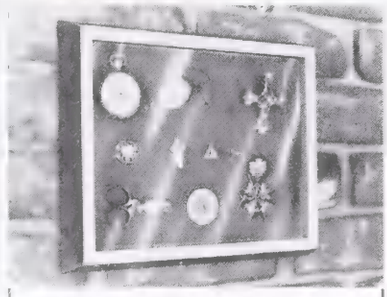


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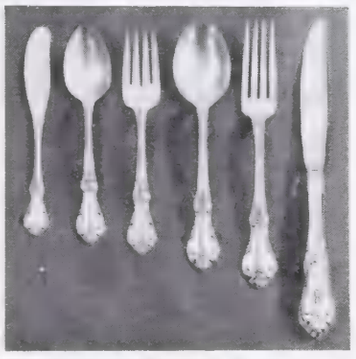
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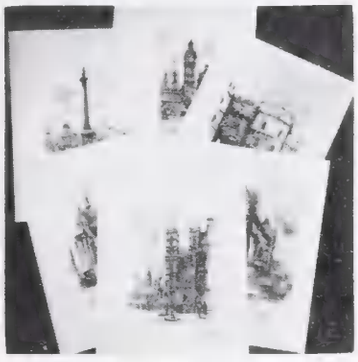
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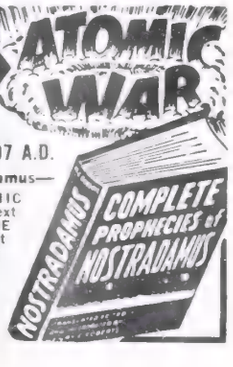
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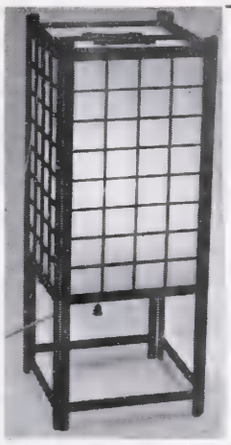
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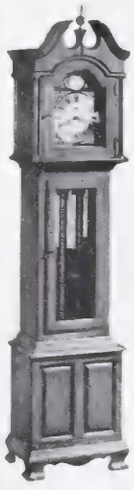
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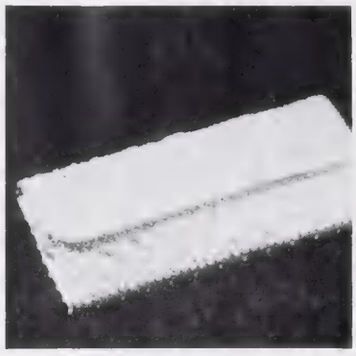
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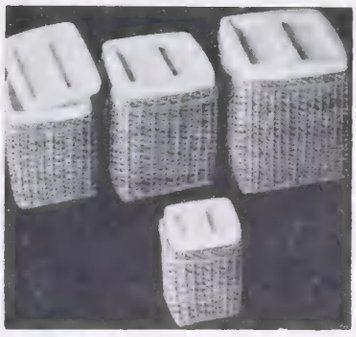
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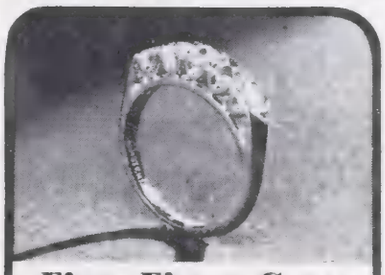
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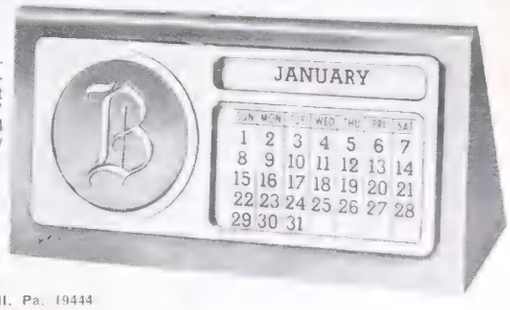
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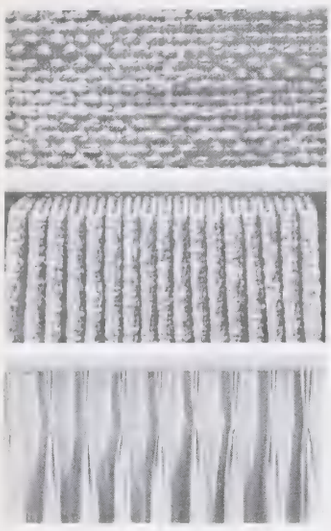
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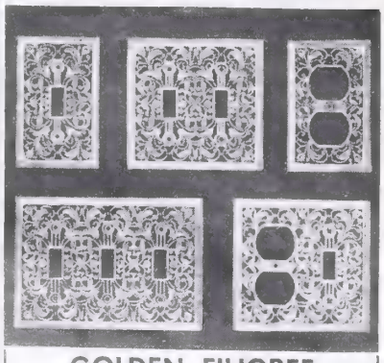
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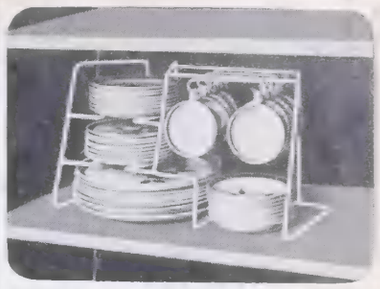
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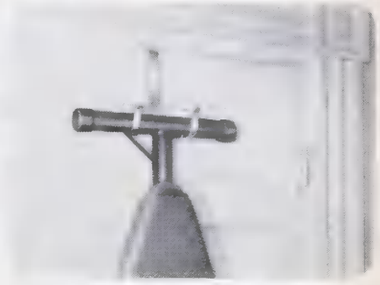
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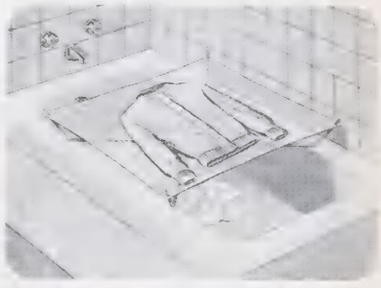
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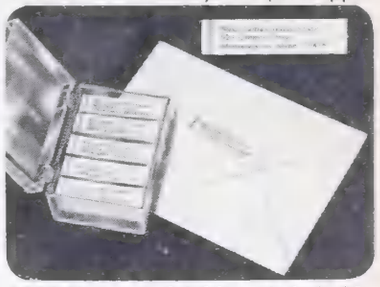
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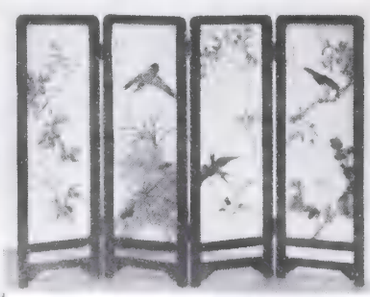


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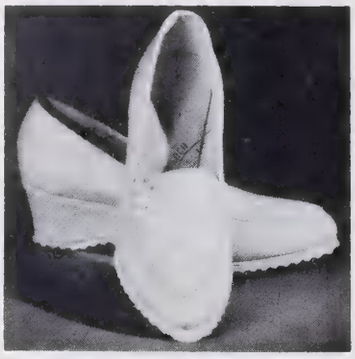
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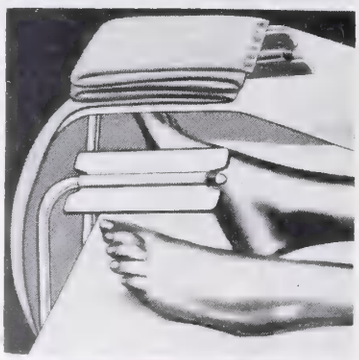
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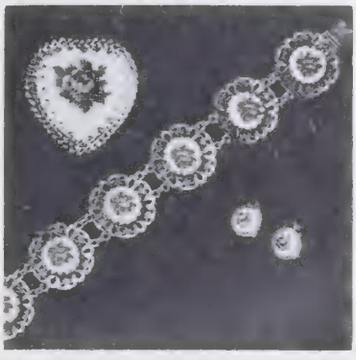
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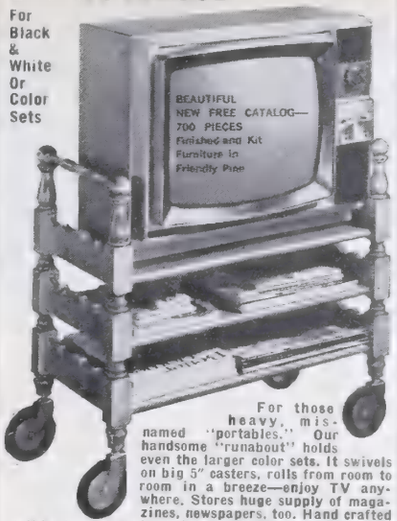
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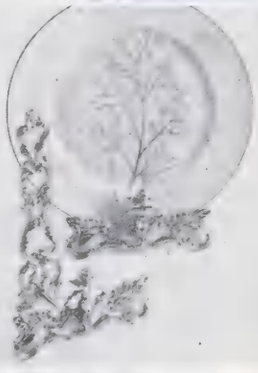


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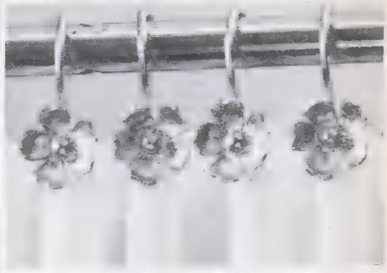
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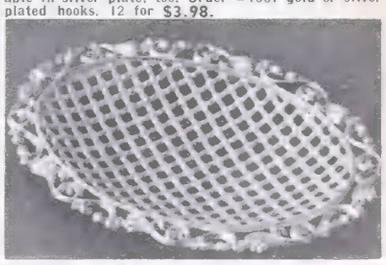
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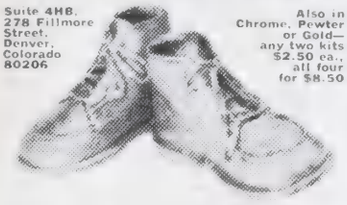
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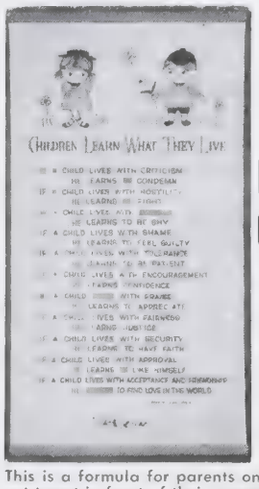
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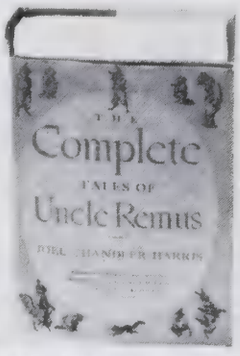
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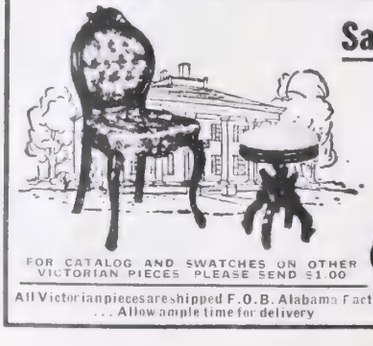
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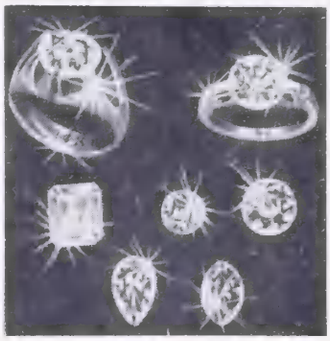


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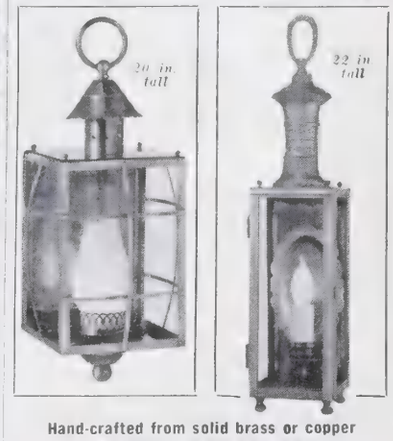
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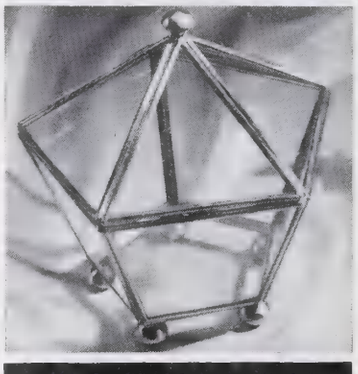
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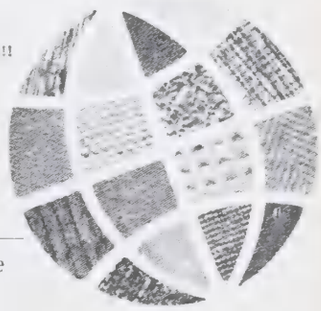
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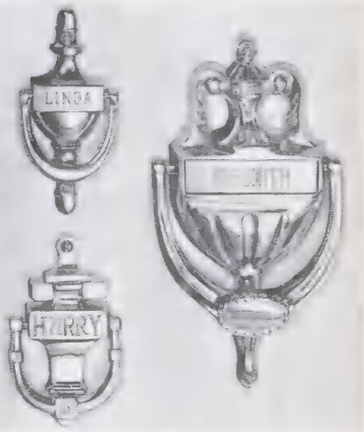
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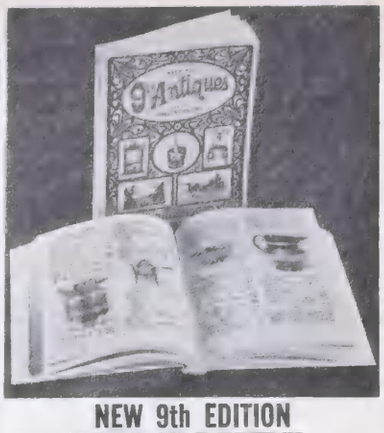


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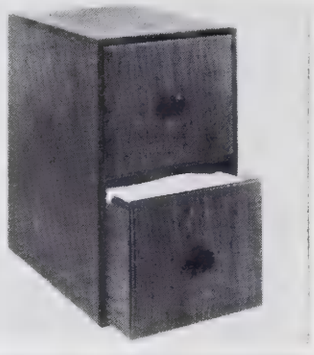
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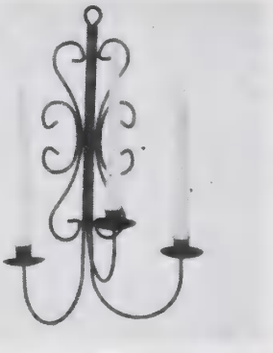
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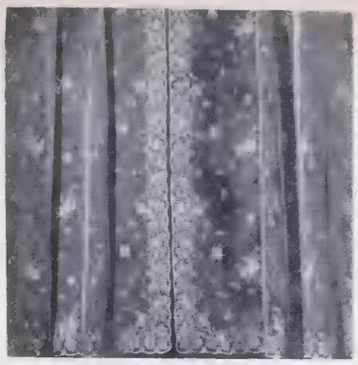


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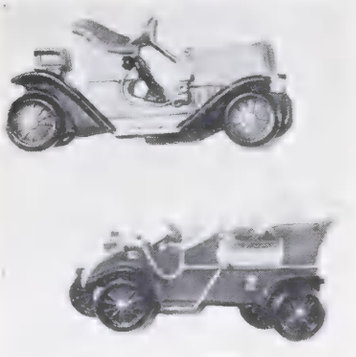
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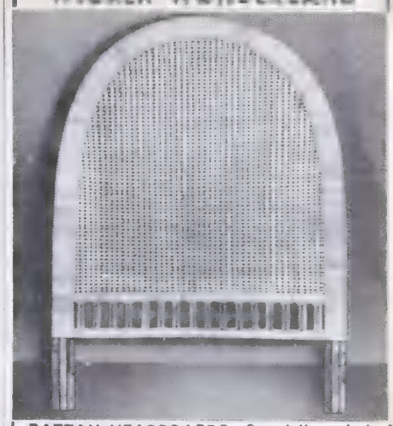
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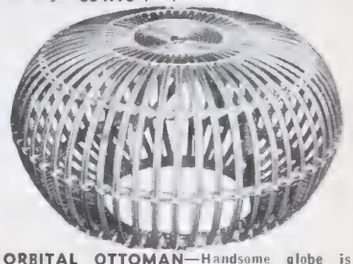
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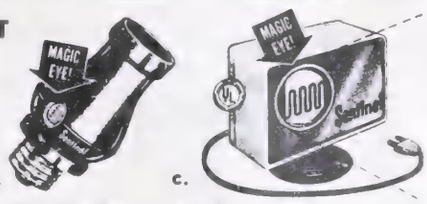


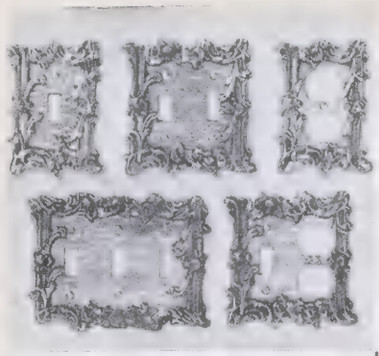
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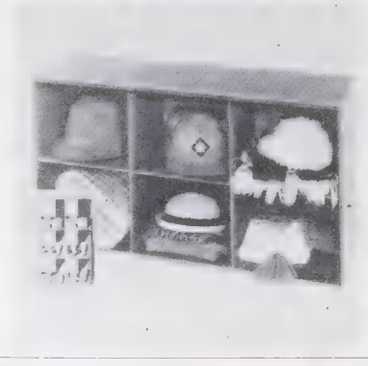
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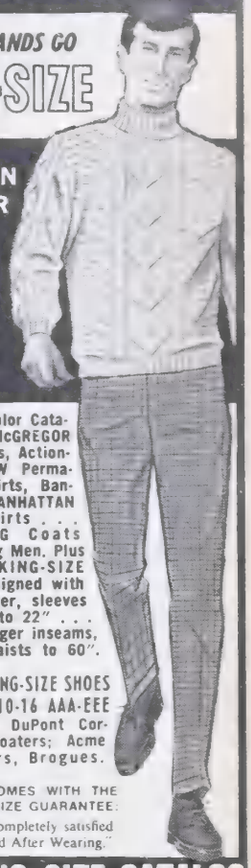
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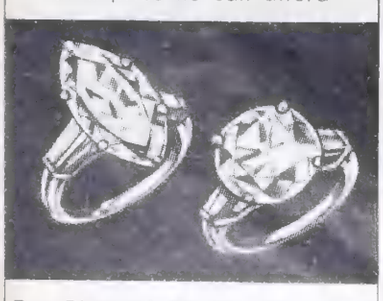


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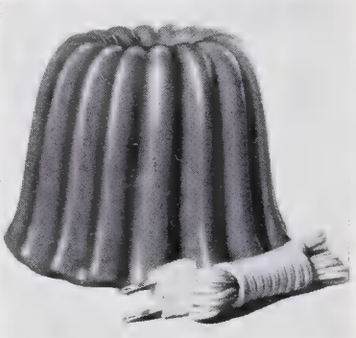
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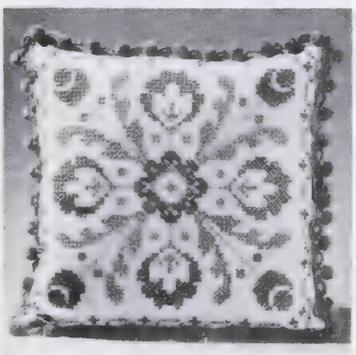
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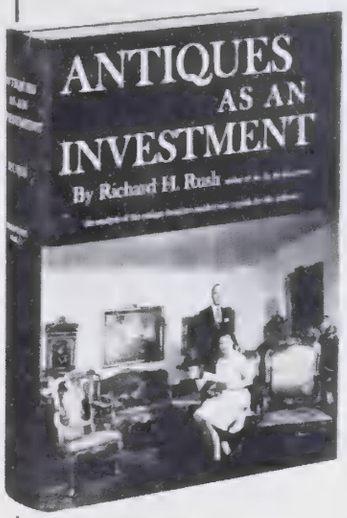


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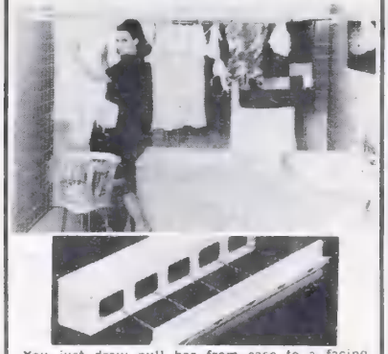
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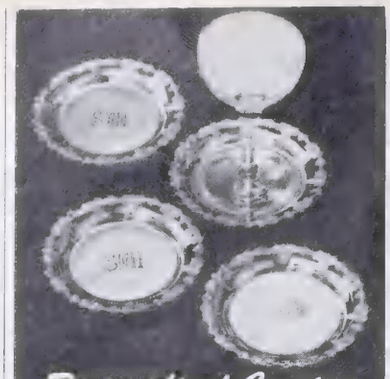
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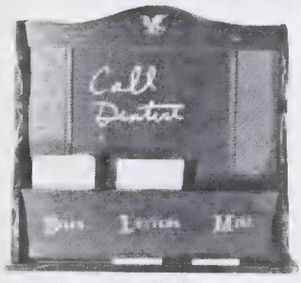
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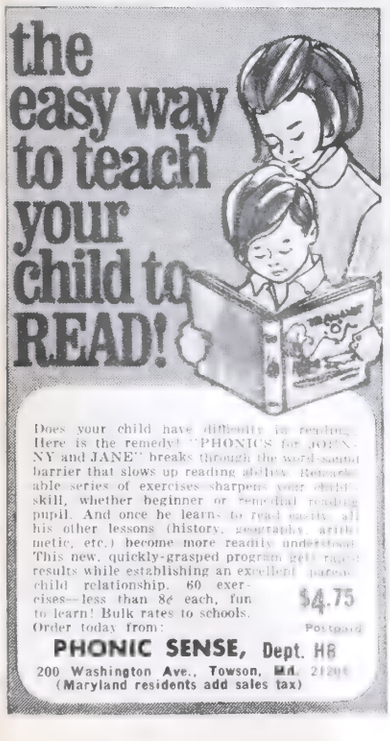
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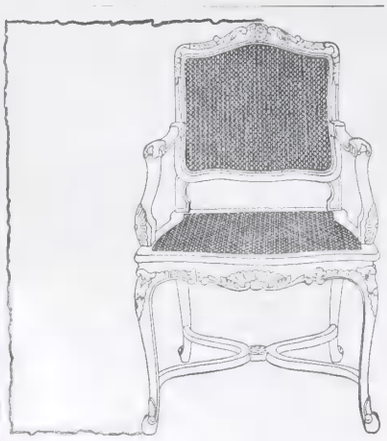


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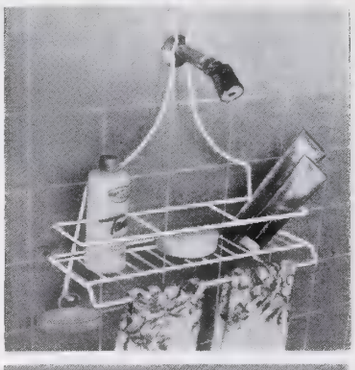
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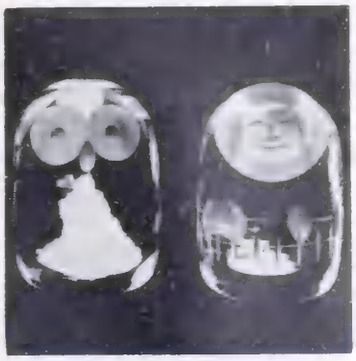
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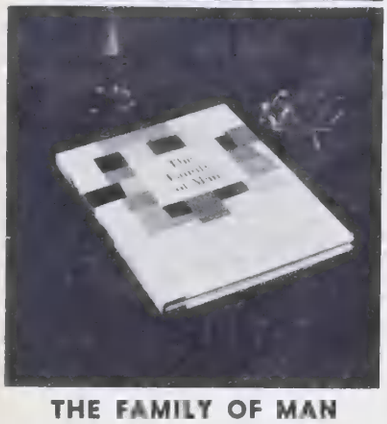
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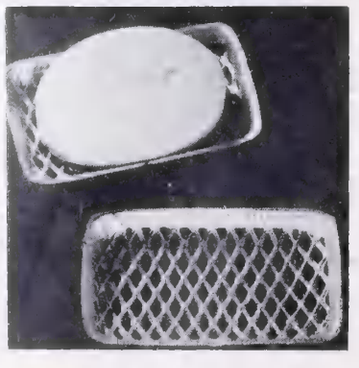
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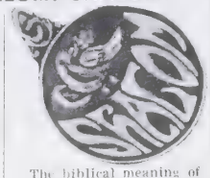


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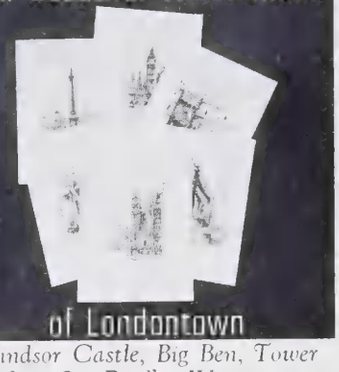
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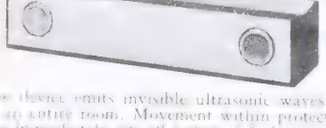


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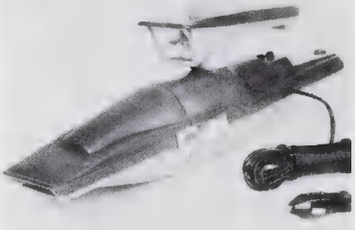
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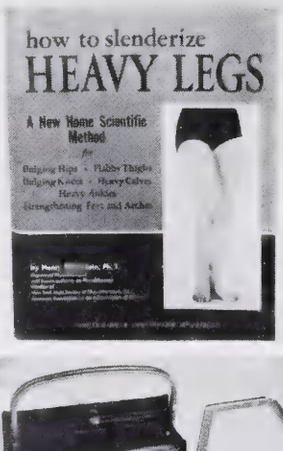
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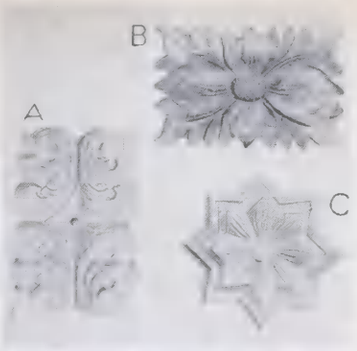


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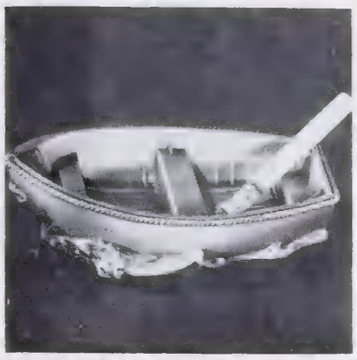


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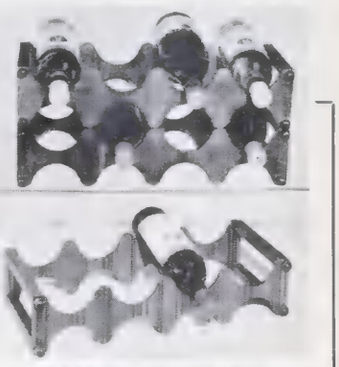
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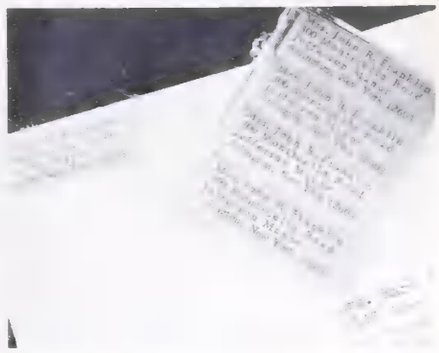
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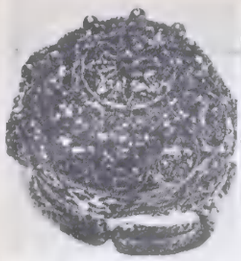
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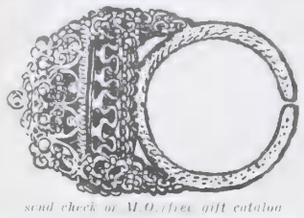
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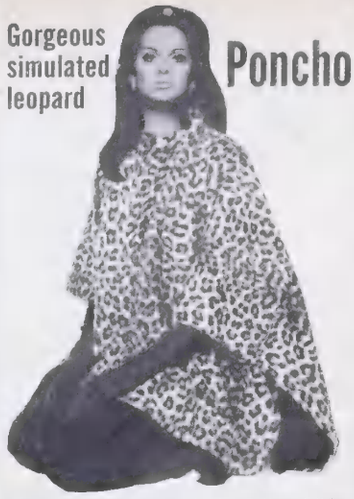


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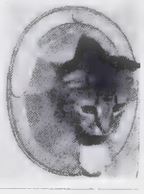


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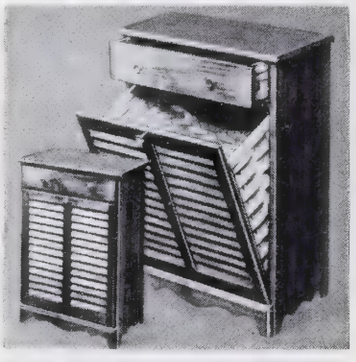
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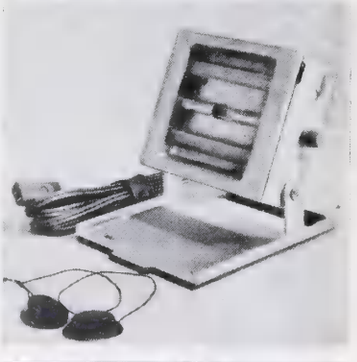
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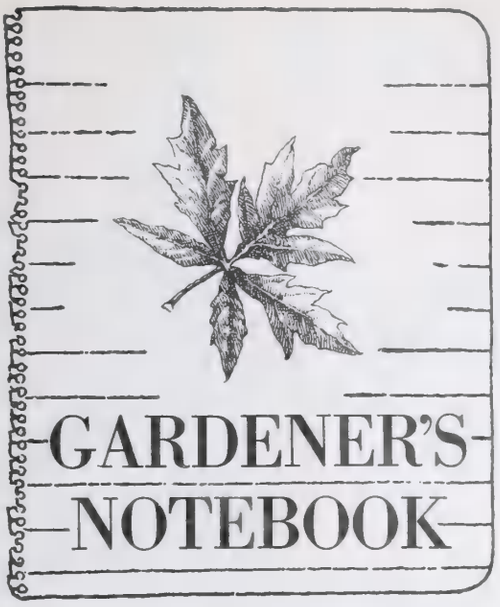
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A new shade tree

Every season brings a big crop of new flowers, but only occasionally is there a new tree. One this year is Greenlace (drawing above), a cutleaf Norway maple being introduced by the Henry Field Seed and Nursery Company, Shenandoah, Iowa. The lustrous green foliage of summer turns golden in the fall, on a tree that has an upright, branching habit. It is cold-hardy to at least 30 degrees below zero.

Color in the shade

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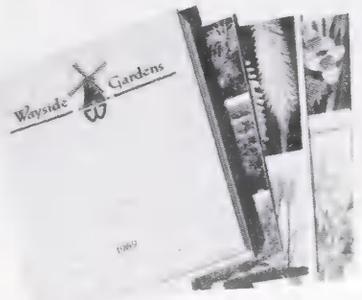
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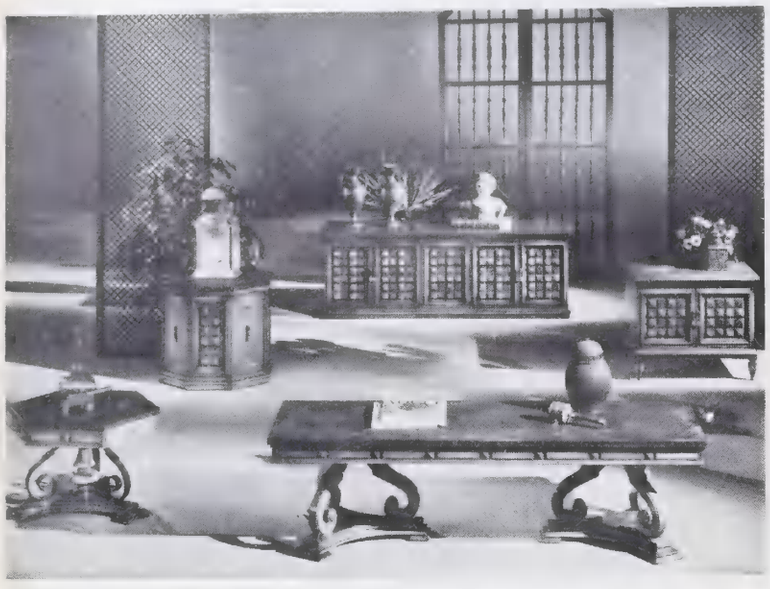
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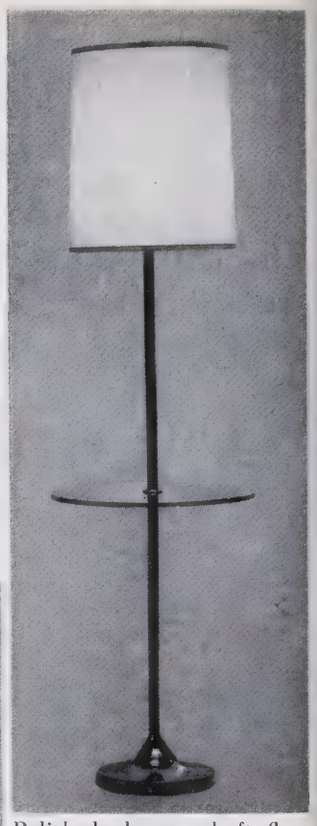
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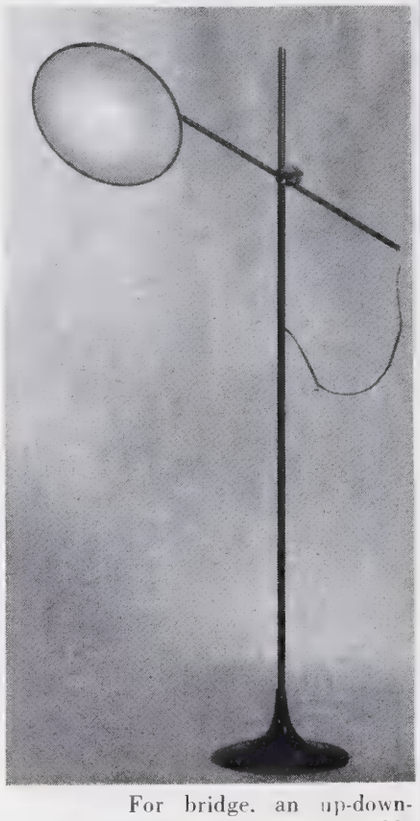
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ceased being Greek in language, tradition, and attitudes. In their *tavernas* they sip their *ouzo* and nibble their favorite pistachios and olives, dawdle over their tiny cups of sweet coffee, dance the ancient *sousta* in a crossed-hands circle, and take their exasperating siestas (shops open from nine to one, close down implacably until four or five, reopen from five to seven). The country people keep their sugar-cube houses spanking white, mosaic their dooryards with black-and-white pebble patterns, and paint their doors blue, the color of fertility and a shield against the evil eye. They hang May Day wreaths over their doorways to propitiate the chancy month of May. Indoors, they hang their walls with traditional embroideries and Rhodian pottery (you can see it thrown and molded in the ancient manner at a kiln near Archangelos). They welcome visitors with ceremonial apricot preserves and a glass of water. Ladies wear boots against snakes that no longer exist, muffle their faces to avoid the social stigma of suntan. Most Rhodians worship in the Byzantine mystery of the Greek Orthodox faith, in dim, lamp-hung churches muraled in glinting icons of the saints, yet in the country they shudder at the ancient bad-luck sign of five outstretched fingers (never hold up your hand to indicate five in sign language: the word is *pende*). A non-cabalistic custom: every man, young or old, carries and fingers a loop of worry beads, *komboloia*—nothing mystic, just a pleasant tactile pastime that invariably intrigues tourists into buying some beads for themselves.

The green, blossoming scenery of Rhodes is placid, nonspectacular except for omnipresent seascapes and changing cloud formations, but there is a rare and romantic natural phenomenon at Petaloudes—the Valley of the Butterflies. Here, during summer, in the enchanted silence of this wooded glen, thousands of gold-and-crimson butterflies doze in the vanilla-scented storax trees. At a sudden sound, like the clap of a hand, they all shimmer into life, filling the air, almost darkening the sky, with their flower-petal flutterings.

Rhodian food is for the most part typically Greek, with emphasis on beautifully cured green and garnet olives, and stuffed everything—vine leaves, tomatoes, eggplant, peppers—the stuffing of minced meat and rice studded with currants or pine nuts. Foods that suggested themselves as something to try at home: *avgolemono*, or lemon soup, and grilled *kebobs* of fish, onion, tomato, and bay leaf. Apricots and oranges are local specialties, and the cucumbers must be the crispest in the world. In the *taverna* it is quite *comme il faut* to go into the kitchen and choose your meal from whatever is on the fire. The ancients sang the praises of Rhodian wines. Today's best seems to be the red Chevalier de Rhodes, an ancestor of the wine the knights used to drink. Local apéritifs are the anise-flavored *ouzo*, made from grapes, and *raki*, a variety of *ouzo* made from figs—both acquired tastes.

Rhodian hotels

Rhodes, which is well used to tourists, has good hotels. Of the luxury class, the best known is the Hotel Des Roses, old-style and Italianate, decorated with some choice murals by Afro, about $1 a day for double room with bath, European plan. The Grand Hotel Summer Palace is very modern, very Danish in decor (Scandinavians flock to the Rhodian sunshine), from about $10.50 to $2. The Miramare, away from the town, is a quite lovely cottage compound in a garden, about $1. The Ibiscus, which has a particularly pleasant dining room, is excellent though not deluxe, about $8. All face the sea.

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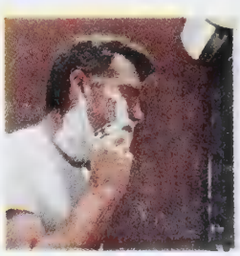
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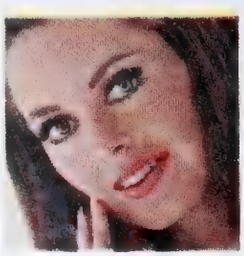


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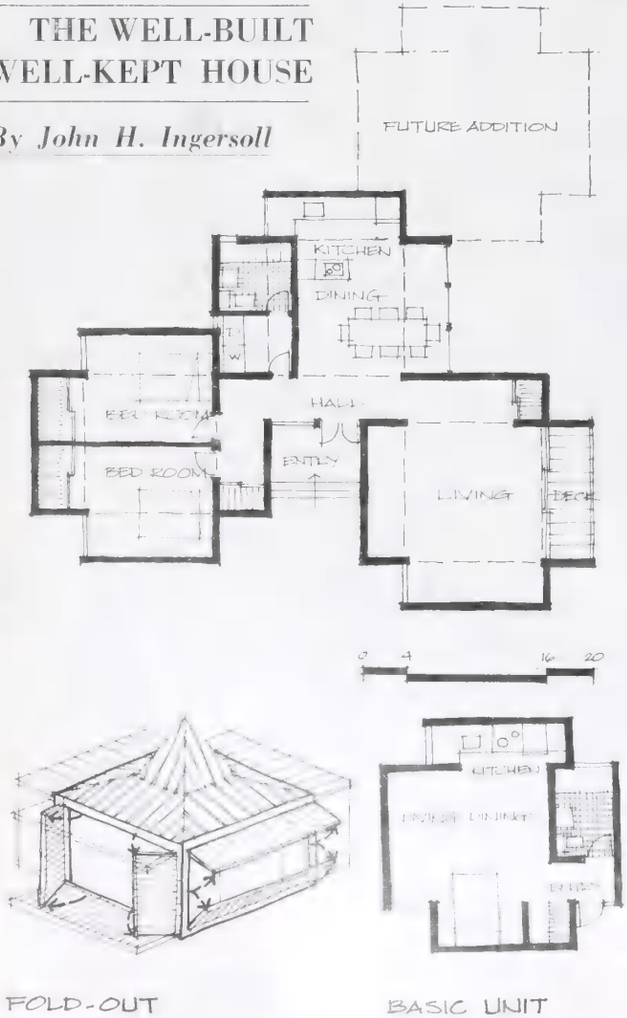
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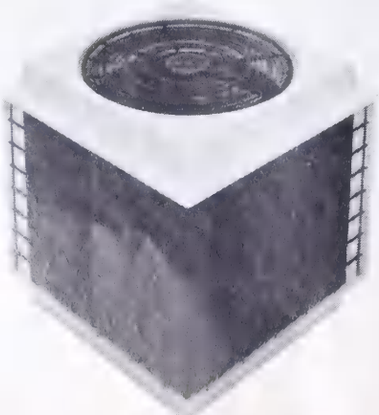
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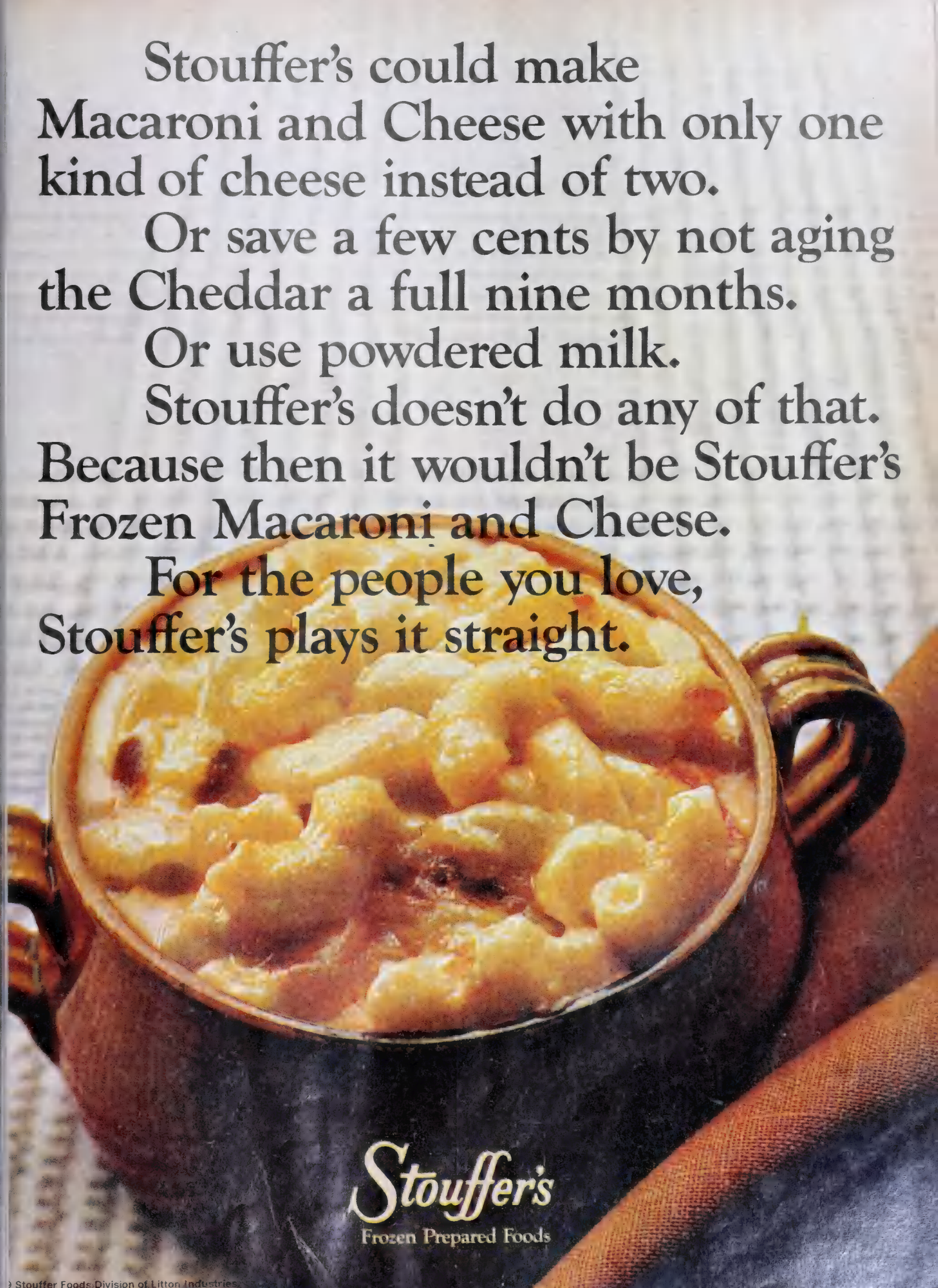
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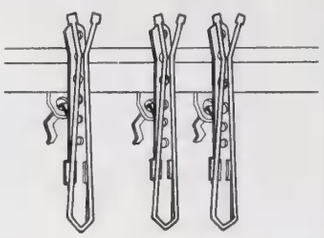
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ums (or rather came back, since it's an old device). The difference: Instead of buying shares in the building, you purchase outright your apartment, or, as the concept spread, your vacation home, townhouse, or year-round single-family home. At purchase, you agree to contribute to a fund for the upkeep of common property within the building and/or development. And you automatically become a member of the Property Owners Association, which, under law, must be set up for a condominium. The association is responsible for upkeep and community problems.

Both concepts have advantages. One of the disadvantages shows up occasionally in the owner or shareholder association meetings. A few cantankerous members, not attuned to cooperative effort, can delay and sometimes obstruct changes the majority feels are necessary.

Out of this flaw and for other, more involved, legal reasons has grown a new idea for community living: the funded community trust. Conceived by a Philadelphia lawyer (it's true), Lenard L. Wolffe, the trust is already functioning at Village 2 in New Hope, Pennsylvania; Twin Rivers, New Jersey; and The Princeton Road Executive Park in New Jersey. And the idea is now fanning out to other states. Here's how it works:

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Buy a house, get a car

To sell houses, builders have packed kitchens with gleaming new appliances, sponsored fashion shows, given prospective buyers free rides in a helicopter to see the development, and held Texas-style barbecues. According to marketing specialist Lawrence G. Chait, the next step may well be a new car in every garage. Financing? Credit for trading in the old buggy, and payments on the new car could be worked right into the mortage, says Chait. If it ever happens, you can tell quickly enough where you stand —"You say you bought a Volkswagen house? Really . . . isn't that interesting. Ours is a Cadillac house, you know."

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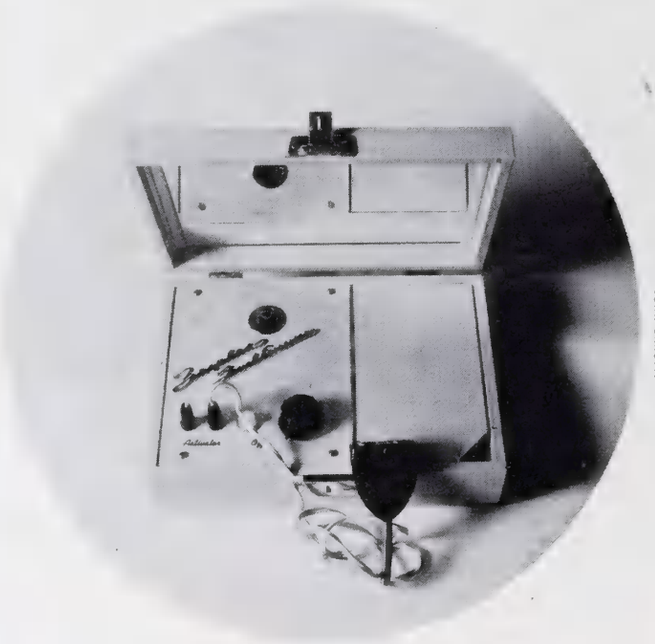
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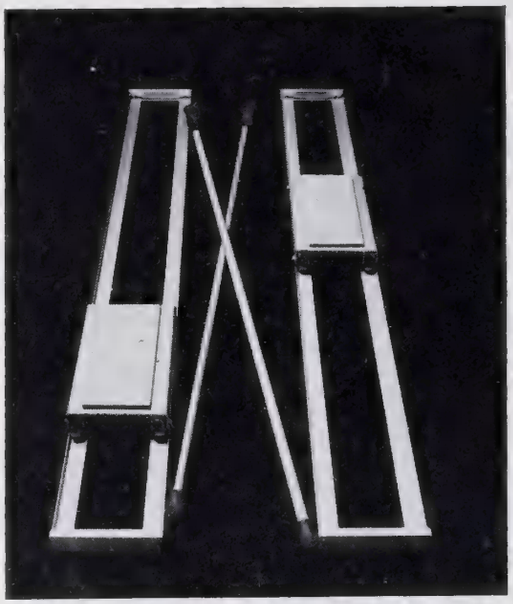
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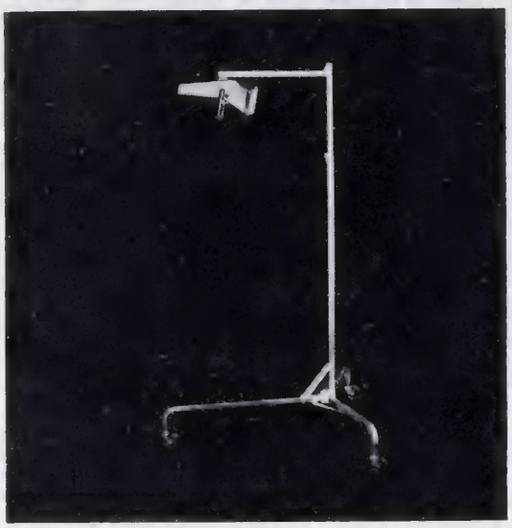
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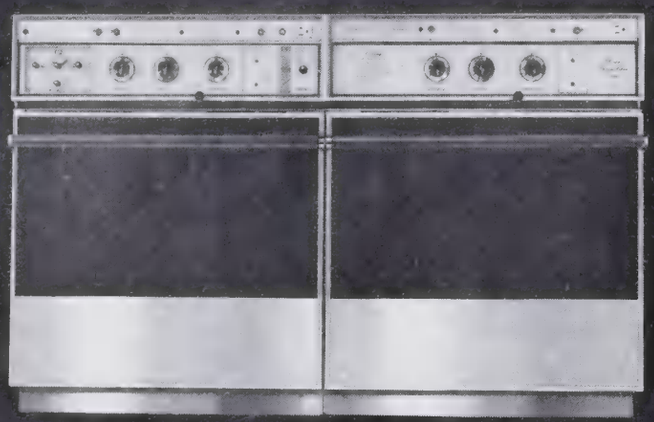
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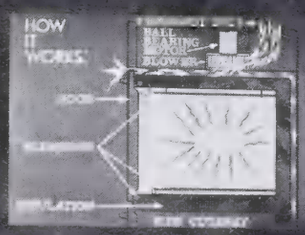
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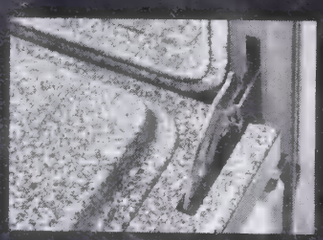
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Where does the word "grocer" come from?

Believe it or not, it's right from the 14th-century pepper and spice trading in England. After peppercorns had made that long trip from the East to London, they were bought and sold by the Guild of Pepperers, who sold the pepper by the gross. (In modern terms, this would mean wholesale.) Peddlers would buy pepper from the "grossers" to sell to housewives. Thus, grocers. In France they had spice sellers: the French word for grocer is still *épicier*. As a matter of interest, today Americans consume 44 million pounds of black pepper and about 3.5 million of white. Black is lustier than white, but white is preferred in white dishes, and today all good cooks use peppermills to season their cooking. And just remember when you are cooking that pepper and chicken are made for each other.

Is it necessary to refrigerate catsup?

Catsup or ketchup, whichever you call it, needs refrigeration only if it is not used up within a comparatively short time, the H.J. Heinz Company tells us. By that they mean within a few weeks. Oxidation is unattractive but harmless, although there is probably a slight loss of flavor. So if you use a lot of catsup, don't refrigerate; if you don't, do refrigerate.

Are Porto and Port the same thing?

No. *Porto* (or *Vinho do Porto*) is the legally protected name for wines from the Douro Valley in Portugal, made from grapes grown in this valley to which brandy, also made from grapes grown in the same region, is added. Because of new government regulations, "Port" will be used henceforth to designate dessert wines produced in the United States with the label clearly stating the place of origin: California, New York State, or America. If you want to buy imported wine, ask for Porto; if domestic, ask for Port.

What exactly is paprika?

A vibrant, beautiful red powder that comes from the dried pods (fruit) of the plant species, *Capsicum annuum*. Actually a member of the pepper clan that ranges from the sweet "bell" peppers to the very hottest chilis. Incidentally, paprika is extremely high in vitamin C (ascorbic acid)—one of the richest of all sources. Paprika is used to garnish light-colored dishes, such as eggs, poultry, fish, potatoes, pastas, salads, salad dressings; and to flavor sausages, soups, goulashes, chicken dishes, etc. The highest-quality paprika has an exquisite taste and varies in strength from mild to decidedly hot. Connoisseurs consider Hungarian paprika the finest. Fairly recently, Hungary introduced a sweet paprika, which is now available in the U.S. In addition to Hungarian, there are these other paprikas: American (sweet and mildly pungent); Spanish (a sweet paprika in a wide range of color values); Yugoslavian (similar to the Hungarian); Moroccan (similar to the Spanish); and Bulgarian (a mild paprika). All paprikas should be stored in a cool, dry place, away from light.

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What are those little specks on banana skins?

They're good signs. They mean the banana is sweet and ripe. Actually, they're sugar spots. Another way to tell if a banana is ripe is to look at the tip. If it's green and just turning to yellow it indicates the banana is ripe and sweet enough to eat. Don't buy bananas with wrinkled skin: it means they are dry.

What is a torte?

A type of rich cake made with eggs, breadcrumbs, butter, ground nuts, and flavorings, but without flour. Apparently German.

What are the different types of flours?

All-purpose, suitable for all types of home baking and cooking except delicate cakes, such as angel; *instant*, granular, easily dissolved in liquids, does not need sifting, more expensive than all-purpose; *self-rising*, with a leavening agent and salt added, can be used in any recipe calling for baking powder and salt by omitting these ingredients from the recipe; *cake*, fine-textured and the most expensive of all flours, made specifically for delicate cakes.

When should lemon juice be added to vegetables?

To *green* vegetables just before serving. Otherwise, the vegetables may turn olive-green. If the lemon juice is added at the beginning, the vegetables will take longer to cook. (Always cook green vegetables uncovered so they will retain their bright color.) To *white* vegetables while they are cooking, to help them stay white.

What is falernum?

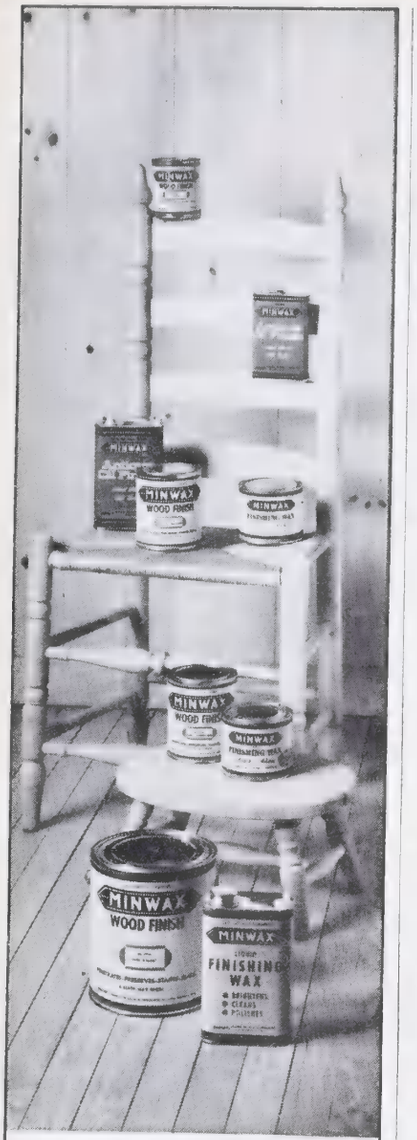
A syrup made of spices, sugar, citric acid, with five percent alcohol, which originated in Barbados, West Indies. Used primarily to make rum drinks: daiquiris, rum sours, and collinses. Cooks, however, also use it to baste chickens, to glaze hams, and to garnish fresh fruits.

What is the difference between the many vinegar types?

Pale-gold apple or cider vinegar is used in salad dressings and some cooking. White or distilled vinegar, made from cereal grains, is best for pickling, although it has other uses. Then we have the wine vinegars, red and white, usually used only in making salad dressing. The flavored vinegars include tarragon, chili, shallot, and garlic—all used in making salad dressing—and England sends us a honey vinegar that is quite interesting. It, too, is used for salads. ■

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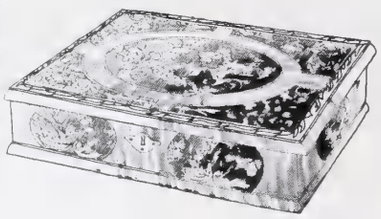


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By Cynthia Lane

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ould have been his
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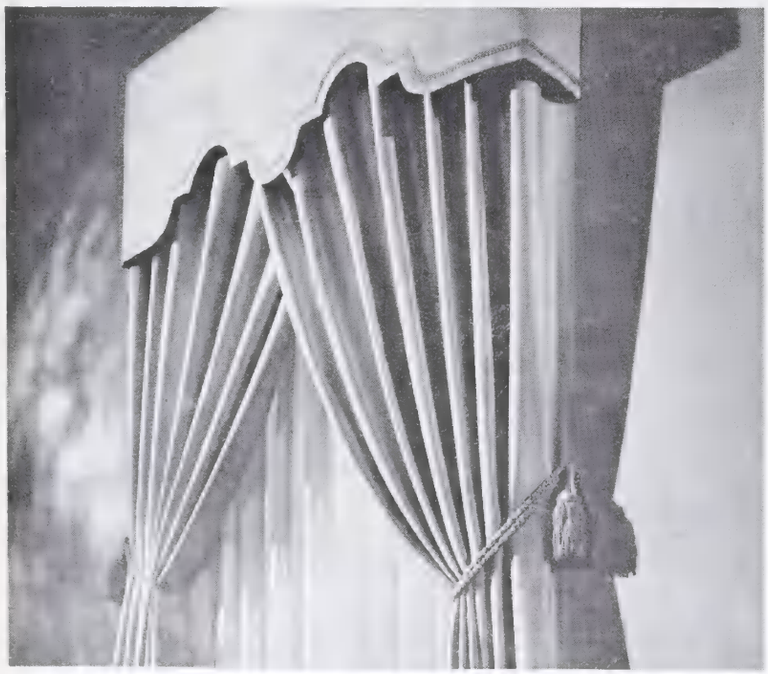
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By Julie Polshek



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By Don Munson

The influential onion

If you think of the onion primarily as a food, you may be surprised by its role in history, medicine, horticulture—even romance

In the press of other matters we sometimes lose sight of important actors in the human drama, such as the onion. Surely if a more exquisite conformation exists, it can only be that of the atom, which Nobel Prize winner Dr. Maria Mayer found herself obliged to describe by saying that "the nucleus is simply built in layers, like an onion." Dr. Mayer has since been spoken of reverently by irreverent scientists as "the Madonna of the onion."

Whether the lush layers of the onion bulbs are described as leaves or cloves or whatever, they express perfectly the Latin word *unio* from which their name came, later made more elaborate by the French as *oignon*, and at last simplified by the English as onion. They are as unified and spiritual as folded hands. *Allium* is the genus name. Liliaceae the family name, and together they suggest the onion's difficulty in deciding whether to be a vegetable or a flower.

As members of its family, the onion claims such distinguished representatives as the garlic, leek, chive, scallion, and shallot. As though this were not enough, it also claims as relatives such beautiful flowers as the lily, hyacinth, gladiolus, and narcissus.

The hidden beauty blooms

Rare the elegant flower gardener, and rarer still the herbalist who would fail to include in his garden design such beautiful flowering onions as Karataviense with its special shade of lavender, the Moly with its golden petals, and the pure, pristinely white star petals of the Neapolitanum.

Leaving the garden for a moment, have you had any serpent, scorpion, or wild beast problems lately? Pliny the Elder, who words carried great weight Rome between 23 and 79 A. asserted unequivocally that g lic "has very powerful prop ties . . . the very smell of it driv away serpents and scorpions, a cures the wounds made by w beasts." As to the effect up your social acquaintances, stands mute.

Each of us has his own spec problems, and perhaps none the foregoing bothers you, h how about the shred mous Pliny says that garlic is powerful remedy for a bite the shred mouse," a bit of me cal lore that a thoughtful m might well keep posted in h medicine cabinet.

It walks among the gods

Lucian, the great Greek sat ist who lived a century lat viewed with astonishment t Egyptian adoration of the onio In those times in most plac adoration was reserved for t gods. Lucian was as scandaliz as Pliny in noting that "the oni and the garlic are among the go of Egypt, and by these they ma their oaths."

Juvenal's verses have many m its, but not that of accuracy, b cause the Great Pyramid at Giz 451 feet high and occupying th teen acres, was practically bu by the onion. Herodotus, who w usually accurate, says that on about 3700 B.C., 1,600 talents silver were allocated for the pu chase of onions, garlic, and ra ishes for the laborers who bu the pyramid. The sum translat to something like $4,000,000 fuel shifts of 100,000 men alte nating on the job during the years required to shape 2,300,0 blocks of stone into what is many ways the most extraordina construction in history of t human race.

If the members of the Alliu family are not miraculous cre tures, how could so many peop be so wrong? Alexander the Gre

Now a free-lance writer, Mr. Munson feels his many years as a foreign correspondent clearly qualify him as an expert on the onion.

discovered onions during his invasion of Egypt, and was so impressed by the onion's mystic qualities he sent back seeds and sprouts to Greece with orders that they be extensively cultivated. He further ordered that all his troops eat onions before going into battle. Filled them with martial ardor, said he.

The leek (*Allium porrum*) a great cousin of the onion, has served with distinction on many a battlefield, notably when the Saxons invaded England and pushed the Britons back into Wales. There the Welsh and the Britons fought side by side, the Britons wearing leeks on their caps to distinguish them from the enemy —this at the suggestion of St. David, the patron saint of Wales. The leek was adopted then as, and it still is, the emblem of the Welsh.

When calories matter

From the battlefield to the kitchen is only a few short steps, and only another short step to diet. So it is that onions have a special contemporary interest. They have very little nutritive value of any kind, yet they have an extraordinary way of satisfying the appetite. For those who would like to lose weight while gorging on delicious food, they offer a pleasant answer. A cup of cooked onions supplies about 80 calories, while the raw onion of medium size in our salads comes to only 50 calories.

Obviously, flavor is what onions have always been valued for, and European dishes employ them in spicing up, in giving point to the basic flavors. The great chefs grate onions, preserving the juice, and spread the mixture over a roast of meat of almost any kind before putting it into the oven. The result is a fusion of flavors of which gourmets approve most feelingly.

Onions boiled and served in various white sauces are delicious, though most chefs tend to sauté them in butter or another fat, and frying does capture the onion's distinctive sulphurous oil, its most desirable culinary contribution.

Strange bedfellows

From garden to kitchen and kitchen to garden: We find that ages ago, flower growers interspersed plants of garlic with those of roses, believing that garlic exuded a kind of ambience of strength and energy that inspired the roses. Superstition? Their basis for believing this was that year after year they saw the garlic-mated roses blooming more beautifully than the lonely roses.

The Greeks, as ever, had a word for it: *symbiosis*. Interspersing garlic plants with rose bushes is now a practice that has both the charm of superstition and the authority of modern science. At flower-show time your garlic-mated roses will beat the lonely roses two to one.

Romance is, of course, the arena in which the onion shows itself most glamorous. Ironically, they were regarded as aphrodisiac during early centuries, only to be forbidden to lovers by Shakespeare in his *A Midsummer Night's Dream:* "Eat no onions nor garlic, for we are to utter sweet breath."

During many Paris dawnings, the onion has served as high priest at romantic rituals when lovers wandered at last to Les Halles for bowls of "*Soupe à l'Oignon*. One remembers, too, the early-morning soup at Ostende, where the Belgians call it:

Dronkeman's soep

Two large onions sliced thin (slice under water to avoid tears)
Two tablespoons of butter
Two cups consommé or chicken stock
Salt and cayenne pepper
Half a cup of white wine
Fines herbes

Sauté onions in butter till tender. Add wine, stock, and seasonings, and simmer for 20 minutes. Pour into ramekins, and before serving drop on soup slices of French bread spread with Camembert, and place under broiler. When cheese turns gold, soup is ready.

Whatever our interest in *Alliam cepa* and all its interesting relatives, whether superstitious, religious, medicinal, martial, or culinary, let us not lose sight of such an important actor in the human drama as the onion! ■



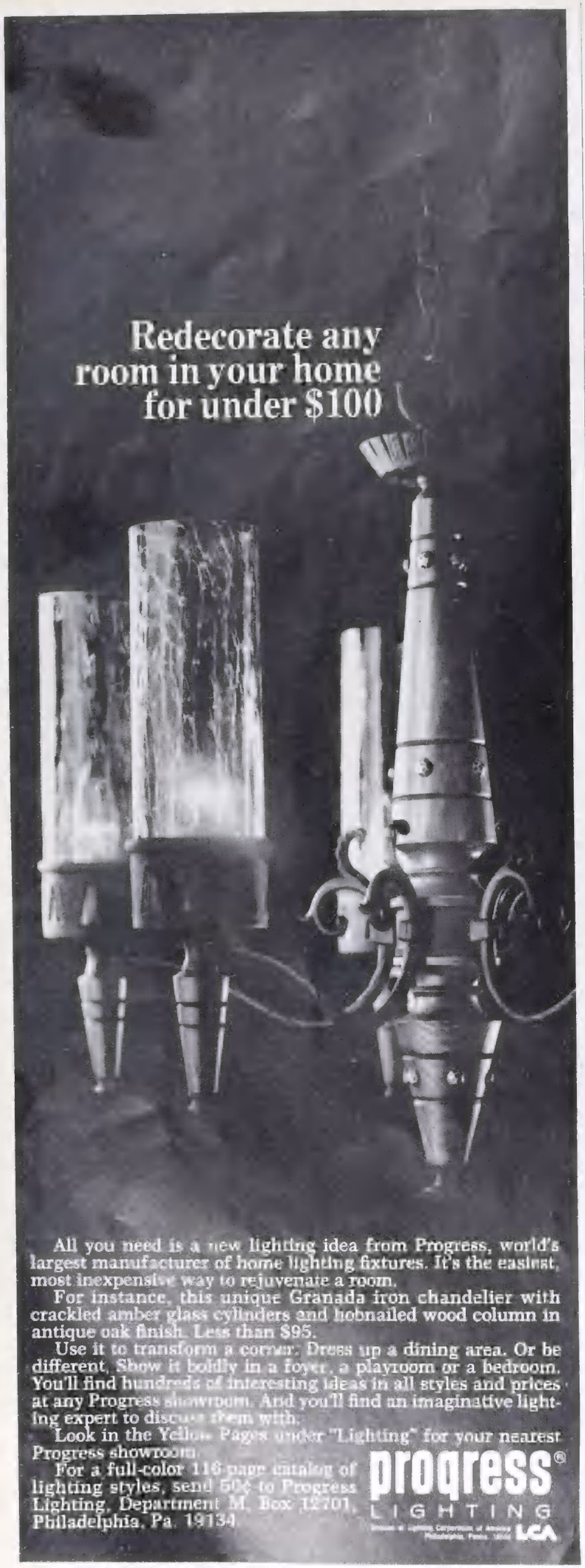
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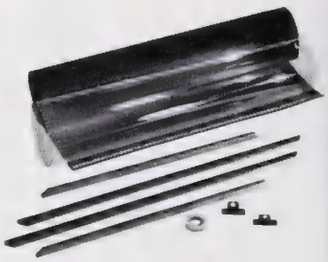


IT'S WORTH MENTIONING

By Julie Polshek



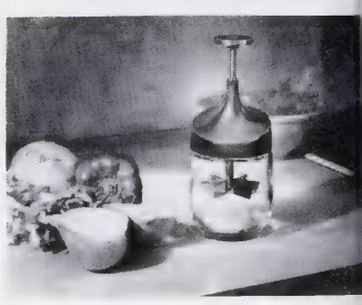
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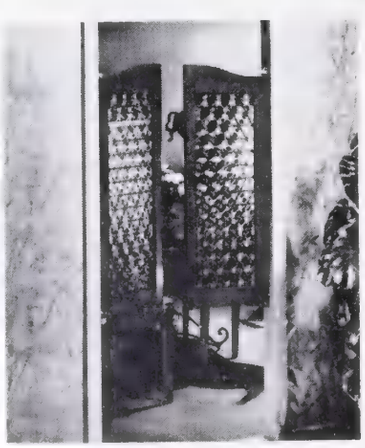




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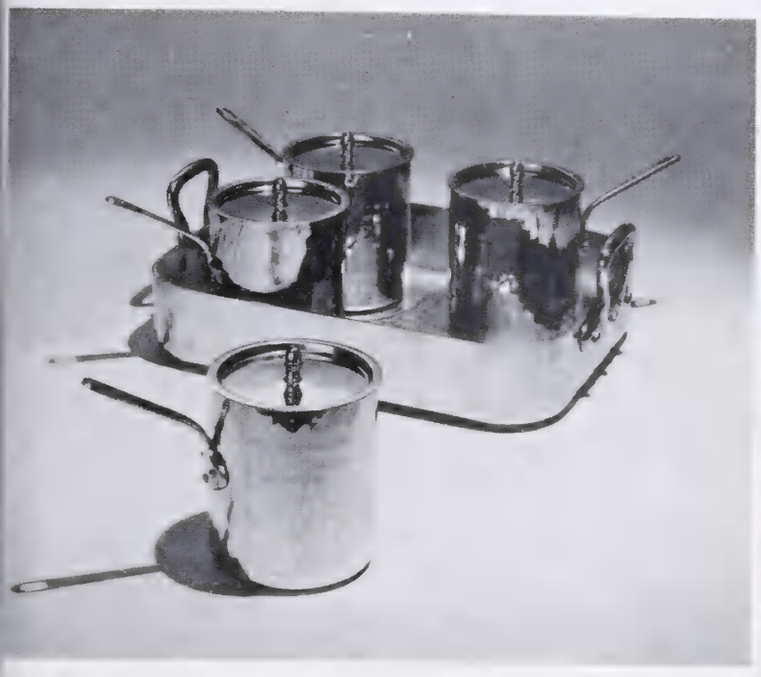




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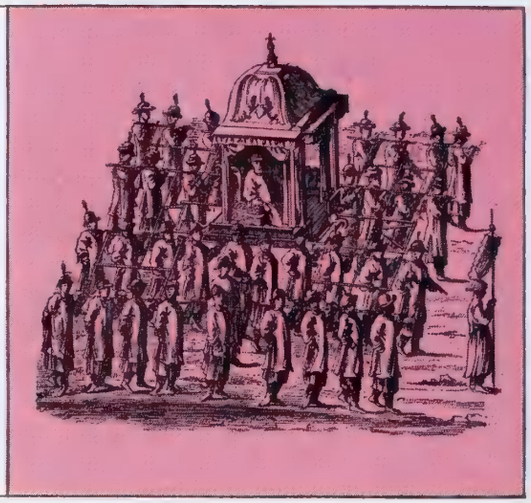


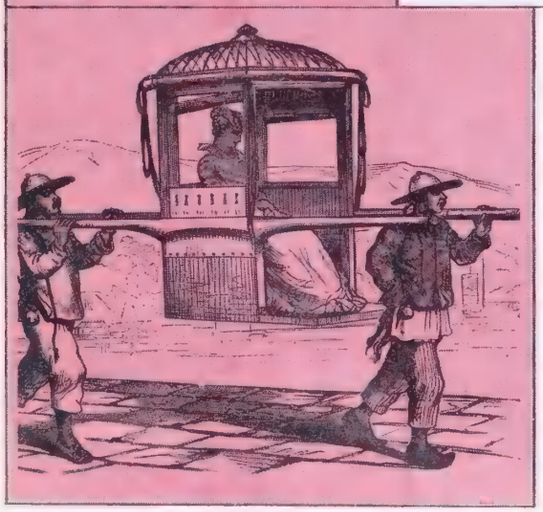


HOW TO LEAVE HOME AND LIKE IT

TRAVEL

BY MARION GOUGH





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Lavish values for prudent travelers

Mini-priced or maxi-priced—suggestions that prove the fallacy of buying travel by the price tag

The best-known travel bargain in the world is the view of Manhattan from the Staten Island ferry boat. By dusk or dawn, spangled night or sparkling noon, the city is sheer beauty thrown high against the sky, and then, for good measure on this harbor excursion, there's a close-up of the Statue of Liberty, and a fair chance of spotting a few ocean liners, whiffing a salty breeze, and overhearing a lonesome concert of sea gulls. The boat fare, as of this writing, is still holding at five cents—mentioned here to point up the truth that in the traveler's world value received is not always directly reflected in its price tag.

We don't hold with the contention that you "do" any great city on five dollars a day, especially if time and comfort and adequate food have any meaning for you, but there *are* great bargains at little price. New York's bus lines at 20 cents a ride, for example, can orient you to the city's layout, take you through the very essence of Cosmopolitania, revealing landmarks all the way. Bus M15, which trundles down Second Avenue from Harlem to the Battery at the very tip of Manhattan, takes you on an ethnic passage through Soul Country, Puerto Rico, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Italy, and China, with glimpses of the UN, the Ford Foundation building, Off-Broadway theaters, and a nostalgic old Jewish section. *(Continued on page 42)*



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The value of the trek

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By Barbara Reed

If you've been living with the simple, modern lines of your first furniture for years now, maybe you've taken some longing looks at those lavishly carved mediterranean pieces that have become so popular lately.

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In transatlantic transportation Icelandic Airlines similarly furnishes an impressive buy for those who are not unduly concerned about saving a few hours' time. Its routes fly New York-Reykjavik-London, New York-Reykjavik-Oslo-Gothenburg-Copenhagen, and also New York-Reykjavik-Luxembourg, with bus transportation at low cost available from Luxembourg to Paris, Frankfurt, Cologne, and Dusseldorf. A typical round-trip fare, New York to Luxembourg, in the busiest time of summer, $389.50; $319 at other times—and even lower rates for 21-day excursions—fares that naturally attract young people, students, and professorial types, so passengers tend to be interesting.

The guided tour

Icelandic is not a member airline of the International Air Transport Association, to which most major international airlines belong. This self-governing body regulates air fares, which are set at the same rates for all airlines that fly between the same destinations—and the variations in rates, depending upon season, length of trip, and departure dates, are dizzying. In essence the major airlines compete with each other not in price but in matters of equipment, service, food, atmosphere, and reputation. Many of the airlines these days offer all-inclusive tours, including sightseeing and hotel accommodations. They are generally tastily low-priced, and worth investigation.

Conducted all-inclusive tours of the If-this-is-Tuesday-it-must-be-Switzerland type—12 glorious days and 11 starlit nights in 10 romantic countries—patently cannot give a really curious-minded traveler much opportunity to savor anything he's gone to see. They've given rise to a kind of snobbism about package tours in general—unfortunate, it seems to us, because there are certain timid travelers who would do better to be guided on their journeys. Certainly all such prearranged guided itineraries are neither superficial nor hectic. Immediately come to mind the Swann Hellenic Tours of London—knowledgeably planned and conducted group tours in Greece, Egypt, and the Middle East, scholarly as archeological expeditions, for which some of the most sophisticated travelers in the world sign up years in advance and then go back for more.

In our own country, the acknowledged dean of thoughtfully conducted travel is R. W. Hemphill of Hemphill World Cruises, 1204 West Fourth Street, Los Angeles, a gentleman so well acquainted with the world that

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FOUR HOUSES WORTH EVERY DOLLAR

1. In Memphis, Tennessee

ESTATE LIVING ON A SMALL LOT

Privacy and a feeling of country freedom. A one-story house, spacious, symmetrical, airy, with a generous frontal expanse. Impossible for a young couple to achieve all this on a 110′-wide lot in a busy, tight, city subdivision? Architect-Owner John Millard Jr., of Memphis, managed to, as proved here and on the next four pages. In part his success is due to deft ways of admitting light while keeping the interior safe from outer view: A continuous clerestory between the two roof levels, shown below. A modern version of a Roman atrium. Twin garden courts, walled on one side, with glass doors into the dining room and library.







Heart of the house, the atrium

Viewed from the entrance hall, the central garden court, left, enclosed by sliding glass doors so its plantings and pool may be seen from all sides. Beyond, a narrow fireplace wall screens the living room from a too immediate and direct look-in.



glow at night. the rear view

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alls of brick and cedar planks shield
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keside place far away from the city.

PHILIP POEDEL

Editor: FRANCES HEARD



ESTATE LIVING ON A SMALL LOT

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A private vista of a private world

In the living room, above, peaceful, sunny tones, a bright outlook over the Millards' own lawn sloping up to their gardens, pool, and gazebo, secured from intrusion by surrounding walls. Another view of the living room at the top of the facing page.



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A garden room with shimmering walls

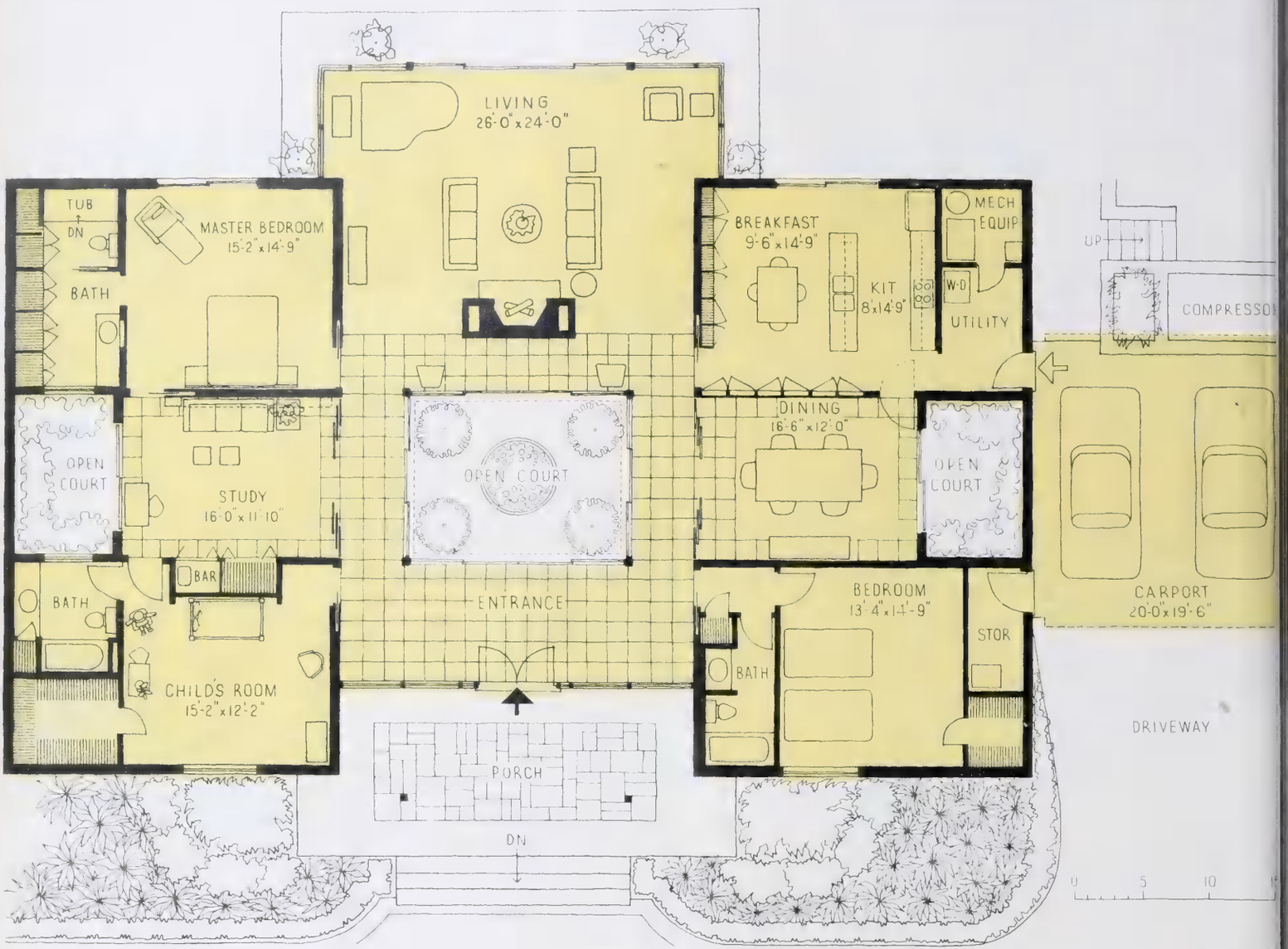
Responsive to sunshine or candlelight, the foil wallcovering in the dining room, at right, next to one of twin inner gardens. Chairs, from Denmark. Designed by the owner; the marble-topped dining table; the trio of serving tables used as a graceful unit.

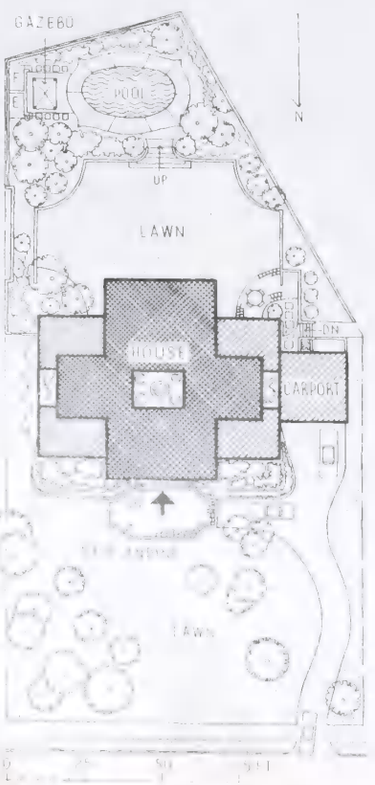




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MADELAINE THATCHER

Innovative plans by architect-owner

The floor plan, above, and the overall plan for the property, left, show how professional skill and ingenuity can place a 95′-wide house, including carport, on a lot only 110′ by 200′ and still secure total privacy along with an airy open effect. Vital to this effect, the atrium and twin open courts, or interior gardens, provided with removable clear plastic roof panels. Each bedroom has a storage wall and walk-in closet with built-in drawers, adjustable hanging space. Pivot hinges and concealed magnetic latches make the doors appear to be solidly paneled walls. Other such walls are part of the kitchen. Bedrooms, dressing rooms, baths, and kitchen are under the lower roof level. The one two feet higher covers receiving and entertaining areas.







Warm tones inside, greenery beyond

In little Blanche Millard's nursery, top left, a double view of flowers: living ones in the atrium, paper ones on the ceiling and walls. Her charming bed, designed by her father. The felt ladybug made by her mother, who also painted the chest, the lacy valentine of a small wicker chair. A dressing room that seems half garden, left. The cantilevered dressing table and lavatory, one of the owner's designs. Balancing the adjustable bookshelves on this side of the library, above, a paneled storage wall on the opposite side houses stereo, television, games. Another pleasing counterpoint: the dark antique desk and chair, the brilliant rug and pillow, in vigorous contrast to pale modern coffee tables and couch. *For details of furnishings, see page 160.*

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2. In Cambridge, Massachusetts

A YOUNG HOUSE TO GROW IN

Editor: ELIZABETH SVERBEYEFF

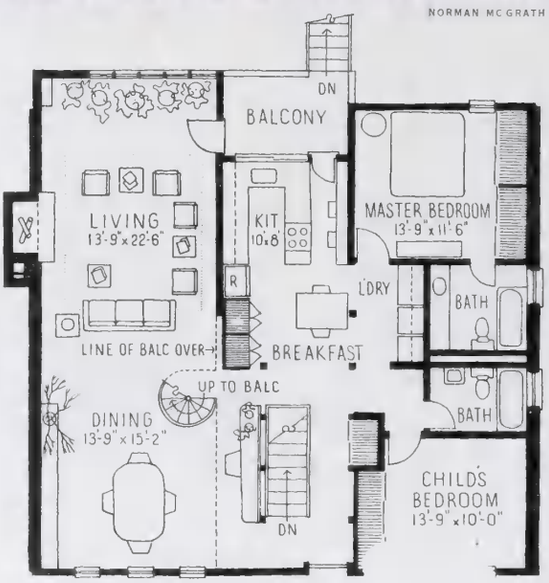
A modest building budget that equals a fine contemporary house—a rare equation these days but one that produced the crisp in-town house on these four pages. Designed by Architect Victor Cromie for his own family, its simple structure created two complete living floors at a cost under $10 a square foot. At present, Mr. and Mrs. Cromie and their three-year-old daughter live on the second floor, renting out the downstairs as an apartment. In the future, when the Cromies expand into the whole house, the trick will be accomplished with no structural changes, merely unlocking a now-locked door. On the street side, the straightforward, uncluttered lines of a New England barn, shingled and sharply outlined in white, fit comfortably with more conventional neighbors. In the rear, both floors have direct access to a large garden and terrace.

Inside: space, country-style

In plan, the house was kept as simple as its structure. Each floor is self-contained, but when the Cromies move into the lower floor they will have a 2,800-square-foot house. In the Cromies' living room, opposite, wide windows overlooking the garden, a lofty sweep of beams, clean white walls—all add immeasurably to the wide-open feeling. The rich color of a Turkish rug, a family treasure, dominates the room. Other furnishings, chosen with a careful eye to good design and enduring value, are kept to a minimum.

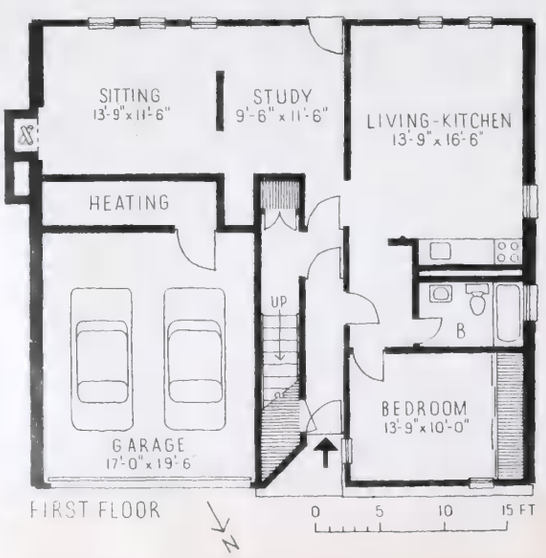


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A YOUNG HOUSE TO GROW IN

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Room at the peak, a balcony studio

Using the height of the rising roof, Architect Crombie found room for his drafting board and his wife's easel—her paintings are seen in the living and dining areas. Breaking the roof line at the center floods the house with clerestoried light. Below left, a balcony view of the dining room.

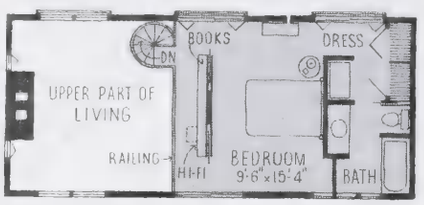
In the center, a hospitable kitchen

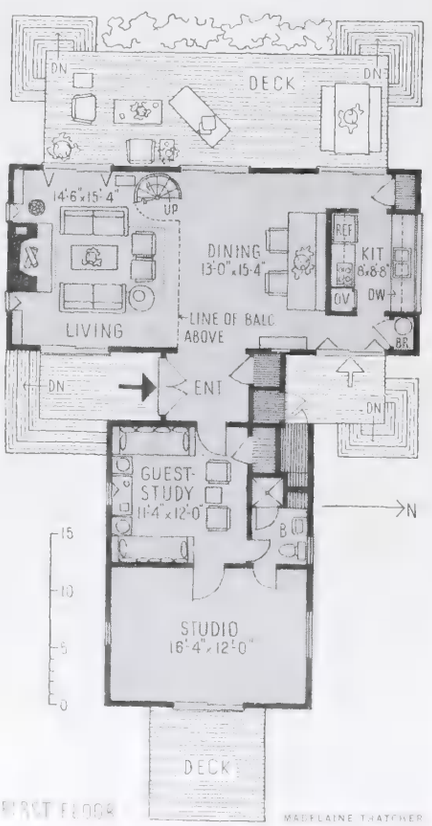
Set at the core of the house, the kitchen, opposite, is open to all the rooms around it. The wide windows over the sink look out on the rear garden. Simplified design, with exposed post-and-beam structure, helped keep costs down. Above, in master bedroom, a stretch of fabric in swooping colors.

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"I knew just what I wanted"

Requirements: A high brick fireplace, a studio to paint in, white walls to exhibit a collection of contemporary paintings, and a cathedral ceiling. Although pristine and uncluttered with its clean lines and shiny doors, the house is warm, charming, and delightfully personal. The living room, top, is shown in color on our cover.

House Beautiful, August, 1967

3. In East Hampton, Long Island

WHEN A WEEKEND IS THE OBJECT

Editor: LESTER GRUNDY

Ruth Emmet, New York fashion designer, b this house as a weekend retreat from the fast pace of city and work. "I've lived all my life in Ye Olde Charming 17th-century houses and, excep for some bits and pieces of nostalgia and good de left from those days of discomfort, I wanted a contemporary house.

"While I can design clothes, I can't design a house. As a professional, I recognize and respect a talent. For my needs—I had seen and loved his work—that architectural talent was Ha Bates. I told him what I wanted quite definitely, though open to advice, and he executed it beautifu Because I had confidence in him, doing a house w not the terrible thing that people think it is. It was, in fact, marvelous fun."

"I'm a very private, yellow-and-white person

The house, opposite, is totally in the trees, yet five minutes from the beach. Shutters everywhere open to deliciously sylvan acres, but "when you want to be really alone—and occasionally I do—a flip of the louvers shuts out the world." Vibrant scatterings of yellow and white daisies, never enough, climb the walls decorate the spread in Ruth Emmet's bedroom, below, where doors to an outside balcony are, of course, shuttered. The spiral staircase, top right, is "something I just had to have . . . a charming idea from an old barn used to live in." At the top of the stairs, Ruth Emmet's bedroom and, fronting it, a music alcove. Outside the cheerfully yellow-and-white kitchen—"Do I dare put yellow in the kitchen, too?"—a spacious sundeck. More daisies in the first-floor guestroom, below right, where dee yellows and punchy spots of orange never overwhelm, e on the hottest day of summer.

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4. In Washington, D. C.

ART MUSEUM DESIGNED FOR LIVING

Editor: RICHARD FITZGERALD

An aristocratic compound of vaulted roofs, a façade of honey-pale travertine patterned with glass and bronze-glinting grilles—a dwelling place extraordinary, reminiscent of Eastern pleasure domes and festival halls. It is the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Lloyd Kreeger and simultaneously their personal museum of fine art. Architecturally, its museum quality is dominant because it was designed first and foremost so that they might live in continual rapport with the paintings and sculptures that make their collection

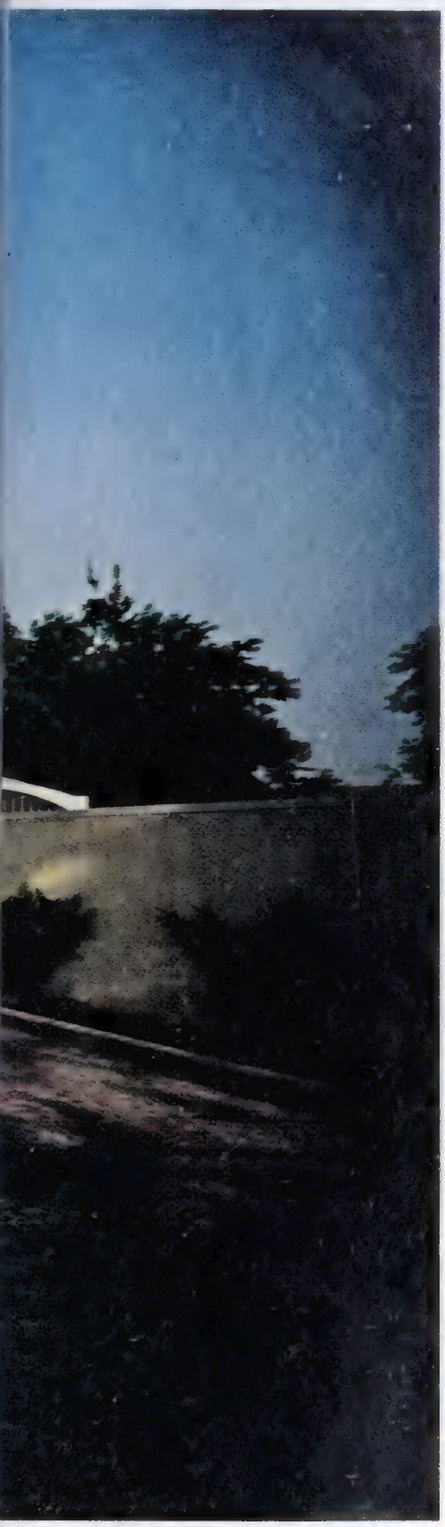


Outside, as well as inside, the Great Hall dominates, its loftiness emphasized by vertical grilles, above. To the left, behind solid walls, are drawing room, library, master bedroom, a conservatory, and two upstairs guestrooms. The one-story entry, right, is hung with Gauguin, Bonnard, and Degas, a mere sampling of the Kreegers' treasure. Behind the house, above right, the sculpture garden, domed in Plexiglas, looks down upon the 66-foot swimming pool.

one of the most important in the country. Among their treasures—Renoir, Van Gogh, Bonnard, Degas, Kandinsky, Gauguin, Matisse, Picasso, Moreau, Monet, Miró, Chagall, Braque, Cézanne, as well as modern masters of op, pop, and abstraction. Their 60 sculptures include Moore, Lipschitz, Maillol, Arp.

Architects Philip Johnson and Richard Foster designed the house in a visual linkage of 22-foot modules, the overall, almost mosquelike form determined by the Great Hall, the central room of the house, which separates the intimate family living rooms from the dining room, kitchen, and servants' rooms. The Great Hall, a lofty, triple-domed gallery, 25 feet high, 66 feet long, was created for the formal display of painting and for the enjoyment of chamber-music concerts. Beyond this, under similarly domed protection, a sculpture court opens to a swimming pool which repeats the area dimensions of the Great Hall. Three additional galleries are at ground level.

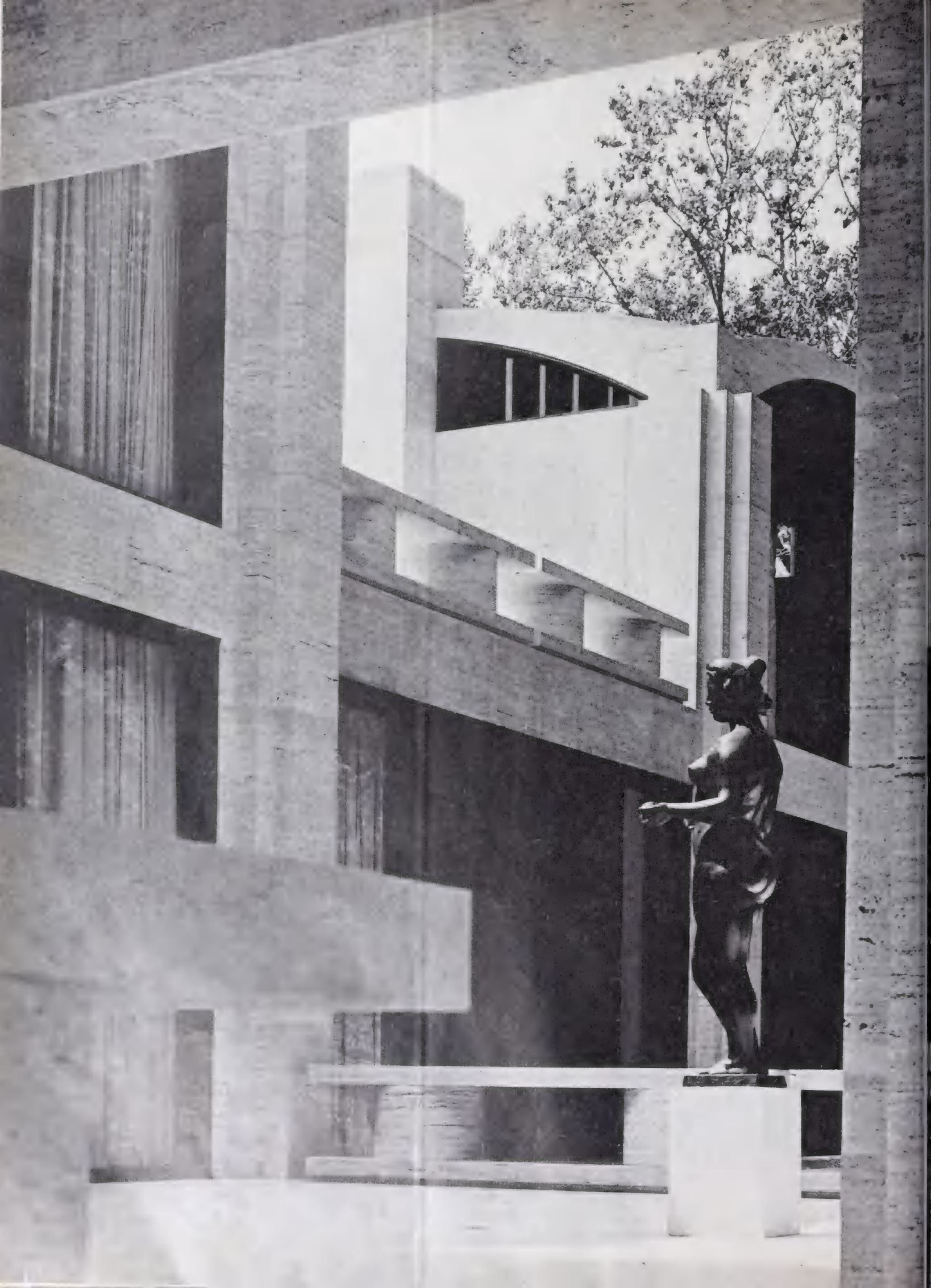
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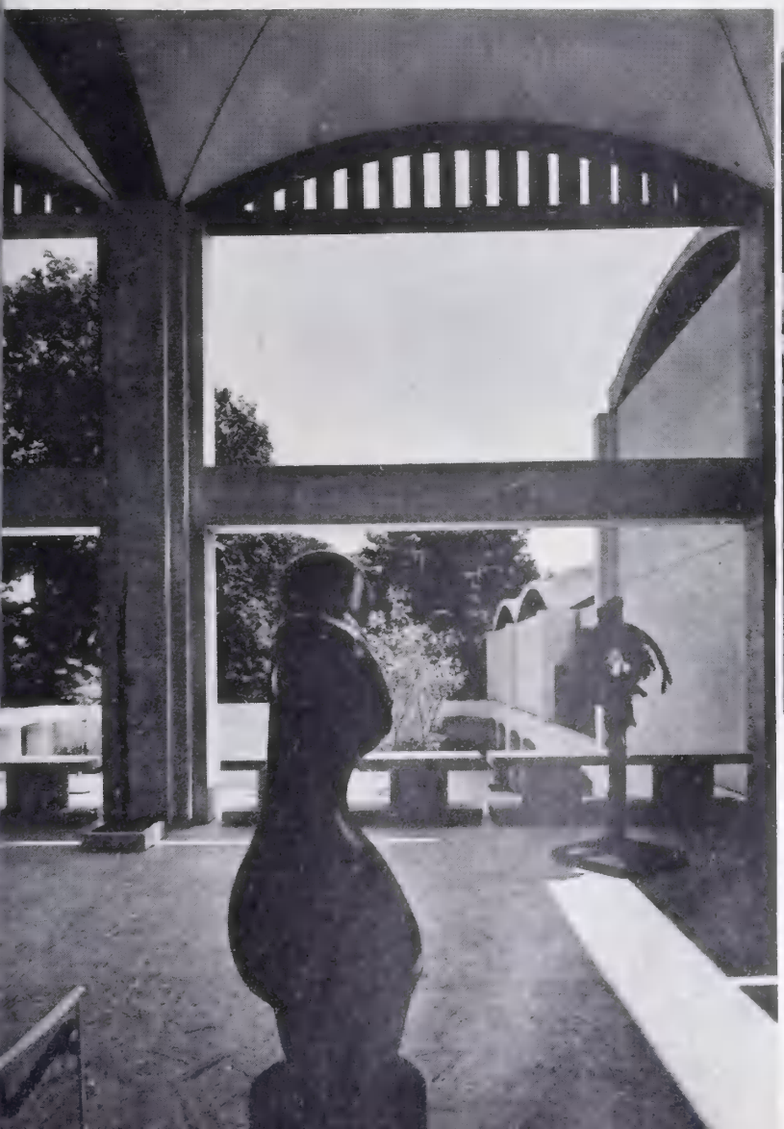
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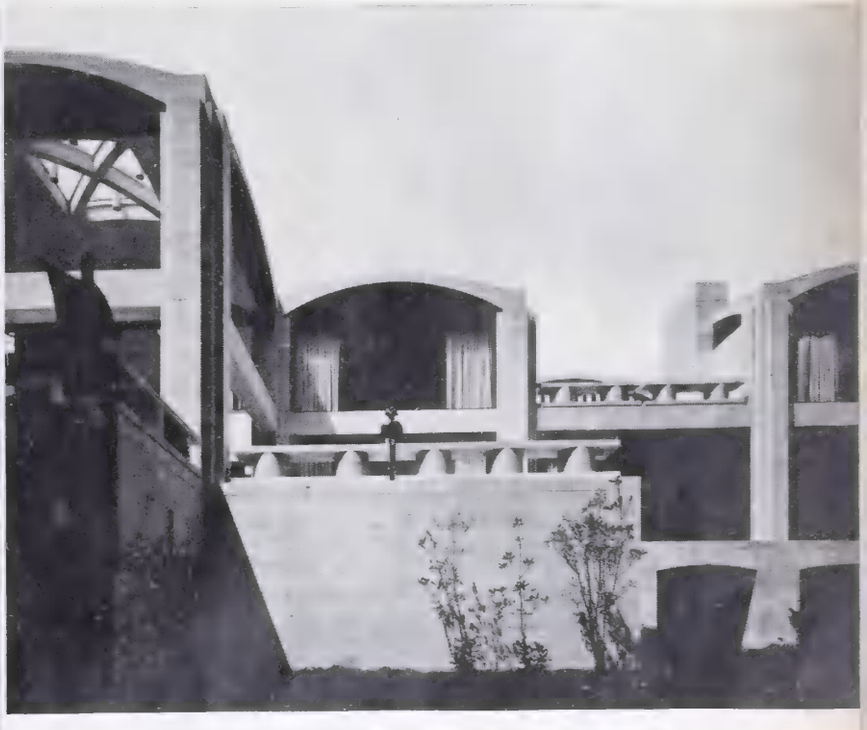
The Kreeger house, designed to hold masterpieces, took four years to complete and is something of a masterpiece in itself, an adroit solution to a set of difficult requirements. The result—a great, monumental piece of architecture. The visual excitement of varied planes, the sublimity of unexpected vistas have come about because the owners wanted walls of glass so that they might live close to their 5½ woodland acres; at the same time the prime demand was for solid wall space for the display of their art collection.

The back of the house has been opened up with lightsome terraces and virtually walled in glass, while the elegantly "tunneled" form of the vaulted rooms provides ample picture-hanging area. Further light enters the house through arched clerestory windows, ornamentally grilled in bronze-anodized aluminum louvers—a solution that creates distinguishing design motif.

The outdoor court, pictured opposite and below, is a sort of lighting device in itself, as well as a display area. The travertine canopy which protects against the weather is inset with clear Plexiglas to bring in daylight and studded with lamps for nighttime downlighting. Adjacent rooms borrow its brightness night and day. All lighting in the house was planned by Jack Kilpatrick. Landscape design was done by Jean French & Co.

Structurally, the house is a massive jewel of craftsmanship, of excellent materials excellently put together. Italian travertine, the stone that ancient Rome was made of, 900 tons of it, was meticulously cut, fitted, polished, to be used on inner and outer walls, paving terraces, giving the museum-house the substance and dignity of a building clearly destined to remain a long, long time.





The sculpture court: art embellishing the outdoors

A protected outdoor terrace was designed for the Kreeger sculpture collection. The Maillol, facing page, is placed directly opposite the lofty window wall of the Great Hall. From the sculpture court to the swimming pool, left, an Arp in silhouette. A sophisticated temperature control keeps the pool at 80°, the indoor humidity at 45 percent, proper for paintings. Above, from the woods, a rear view of the house



ART MUSEUM DESIGNED FOR LIVING

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In intimate rooms, fine art in daily living

A luminous indoor conservatory, opposite, domed in Plexiglas, brings light into the center of the Kreeger house, gives the glass-walled living room a charming garden view. Misty art—Renoir, Redon, Sisley—suggested the colors of 18th-century French furnishings and the specially woven rug. The decorator was Samuel A. Morrow. Stairhall, below, looks into the conservatory, the window flanked by a Miró and a Kandinsky.

The dining room, right, is hung with eight Monets. From the elegant warmth of burnished teak floors, 18th-century English furniture and an antique Chinese rug, diners look upon the sculpture court.

Three galleries on the ground floor house the Kreegers' collections of African art, shells, and 20th-century American art works by Thomas Downing, Charles Hinman, and James Rosenquist, lower right.









ART MUSEUM DESIGNED FOR LIVING

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The touchstone: perfection in design details

Great Hall, opposite, is truly a gallery, displaying some of the Kreegers' most important art, its 25-foot-high travertine walls covered in beige carpet to facilitate picture hanging. It is also used for concerts, a favorite entertainment of the owners, who are both accomplished musicians. Window, draped in tussah, frames the sculpture court. Master bedroom, below, silky, silvery blues and Louis XVI dominant, is the only room where art is not hung. The perfectionism of detail in this house, pinpointed in the guest room, right, where wallpaper and matching fabric are further matched by lampshade, painted porcelain lamp base, and embroidered drapery. The library, opening on its own terrace, lower right, is paneled in teak. Mr. and Mrs. Kreeger can both work at the double-size 18th-century English partners desk.







THE BEST LAND VALUES

Of all the things you can buy with money today, land is one of the best values. In a time of inflation, when cash is worth less each year, land you own has a solid value. It is real and is not called "real estate" for nothing.

Except for the depression years of the 1930's, land in the growing areas of the country has gone up steadily in value. You have seen lots in your area double or triple in recent years. But do you know that land prices in general have increased 16.8 percent *each year* since 1950? That is a faster growth than money invested in savings banks, savings and loans, or in many stocks. It does not equal—nor should it be expected to equal—the growth of the most successful stocks.

I travel a great deal and talk with land developers and realtors in many cities. Everywhere I go I hear stories of the skyrocketing prices of land. Land prices in Westchester County, near New York City, have doubled or tripled in the past ten years. Beach-front lots in Sea Pines Plantation, South Carolina, that were $10,000 are now $38,000 or $40,000. Lots in Houston that were $8,000 are now $22,000. Lots in Washington, D.C., that were $5,000 are now $12,000. Many of these will certainly go higher.

Land prices began zooming in California about 15 years ago. Now the California pattern of growth is going on in most cities. Such booming towns as Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, Seattle, Chicago, and Washington are bursting at the seams. Even non-boom towns are growing steadily as families push out from old residential neighborhoods to the suburbs. The apartment boom now going on has never been equaled, and this forces all residential land prices higher. Cities like Tampa, San Antonio, Cincinnati, and Kansas City, which had few apartment buildings in the past, now have them going up all over.

In some cities there are bargains in center-city property where areas are being upgraded and buildings are being renovated. Many young couples with imagination, who want to live closer to active city life, have found downtown land that is suitable for housing, or have found buildings that could be restored. Old row houses can often be bought and remodeled at lower cost than buying a new house. These have often proved to be valuable investments.

In the next ten years land prices will rise even faster than in the past. Our population is growing faster, and more people will need places to live. This year the nation's builders will start about 1,650,000 new homes and apartments. Soon they will be building two million a year. They need land. So land prices in the most desired locations will go higher and higher.

This means if you plan to buy a building lot sometime in the future, you might better buy it soon. You can probably find a better lot today at a lower price than you can later. A lot is likely to increase in value as quickly, or more quickly, than other commodities, but there are still many specific questions to be answered. The value of land can vary tremendously, depending on a variety of factors.

Not all land is a good buy. It is a seller's market today, and you need to approach land-buying with caution. Never buy a lot just because it seems low priced. A poor lot will always be a poor value. It won't be a suitable place for your house, will be hard to resell, and will be a waste of money. Let's consider some specifics.

Is there still land left in built-up suburbs around major cities? Yes. While the number of vacant suburban lots is getting smaller each year, in most communities there are still some vacant lots. These have been by-passed by builders, perhaps because the lot is on a hillside, is irregular in shape, or has considerable rock. Often the owner of a house on a double lot will eventually sell one lot. Or perhaps a large house has been torn down, and a part of the property is for sale.

To judge the value of problem lots you should get professional advice from an architect or builder. Often an imaginative architect can suggest ways to solve problems which earlier land-shoppers had not realized. These by-passed lots in established neighborhoods are often good investments, since community facilities such as schools and shops are established. Taxes are relatively stable. Such lots also may have landscaping and old trees.

How do you decide on future development areas, beyond the present suburbs? New roads, and especially new interstate highways, are a clue to future residential areas. The beltways around Washington, Baltimore, and San Antonio, for example, opened up hundreds of acres of new land, as did Chicago's new roads leading west and northwest from the city. Maps that show proposed routes for new highways are usually published in local newspapers two years or more before the routes are built. You can get information about new roads at municipal or county planning offices, as routes are marked in advance on their maps.

Another clue to growth areas is a new shopping center. No shopping center is built without extensive market research. A new center is a signal that residential growth is certain in that direction of town. Another indication of residential growth in an outlying area is a new school or a new residential development, especially a prestige community. The building of a new golf course is also a good sign, as it enhances the value of adjoining land by assuring an open, country look.

The establishment of high-grade office parks, research facilities, or other employment for upper-income, white-collar workers is usually a sign that residential development will follow in that general area. In Washington, D.C., for example, complexes of government offices and research facilities have been built recently northwest of the city along route 70-S and have been followed by a plethora of new residential communities. In San Antonio, a new medical center is providing a boost to surrounding residential land. In Houston, the NASA space center has been a stimulus for much new housing. Some of the best land buys today are in new areas, just slightly farther from downtown than most people want to drive. In three to five years, as the city grows, they will seem much more attainable.

The prices are high but due to go higher, says this building and real estate consultant. What is causing the boom in land? Where can you find the best values? How can you buy with confidence? You'll find the answer here. By DR. CARL NORCROSS

What about improved versus unimproved land? An "improved" lot usually means it is on a paved street and has city water and sewer, electricity, gas, and telephone service. If you are buying a lot without a sewer, be sure that a septic tank will be approved by local health authorities and that your soil is suitable for a drainage field. In some areas, septic tanks are not permitted. If you will need a well, make as certain as you can that there is water under your land, and find out what a well will cost. Ask a neighbor and get a price from a well-digger. If there is no electric power line available, find out how much one will cost.

Where can I get help in looking for land? Your best bet is to use an experienced realtor. Even if you are thoroughly familiar with an area, a realtor will know about land that may not have a "for sale" sign on it. He can save you time by taking you directly to available land, and he can show you enough different lots to help you establish comparative values. He can point out advantages and disadvantages of different pieces. Often he can tell you about lots that are not yet on the market but that will be soon. Choose a well-established, successful firm, which will have most listings and most experience.

You will find that different real estate offices specialize in different neighborhoods or suburbs. So it is good policy to scout with real estate people from different firms.

Sometimes you can get suggestions about available land from a township or county tax office or from a tax assessor. The county or municipal land planners may have time to tell you about land that would be a good buy. They know where growth is taking place and where future growth will be. Of course, the classified want-ads in local papers are worth studying.

How can you establish the value of a piece of property? An experienced realtor can make a close estimate of what a piece of land will sell for, as he has watched changing lot prices over a number of years. You can also hire an independent real estate appraiser for $50 or $100 to give you an estimate. He is a professional who will, in this case, be working just for you.

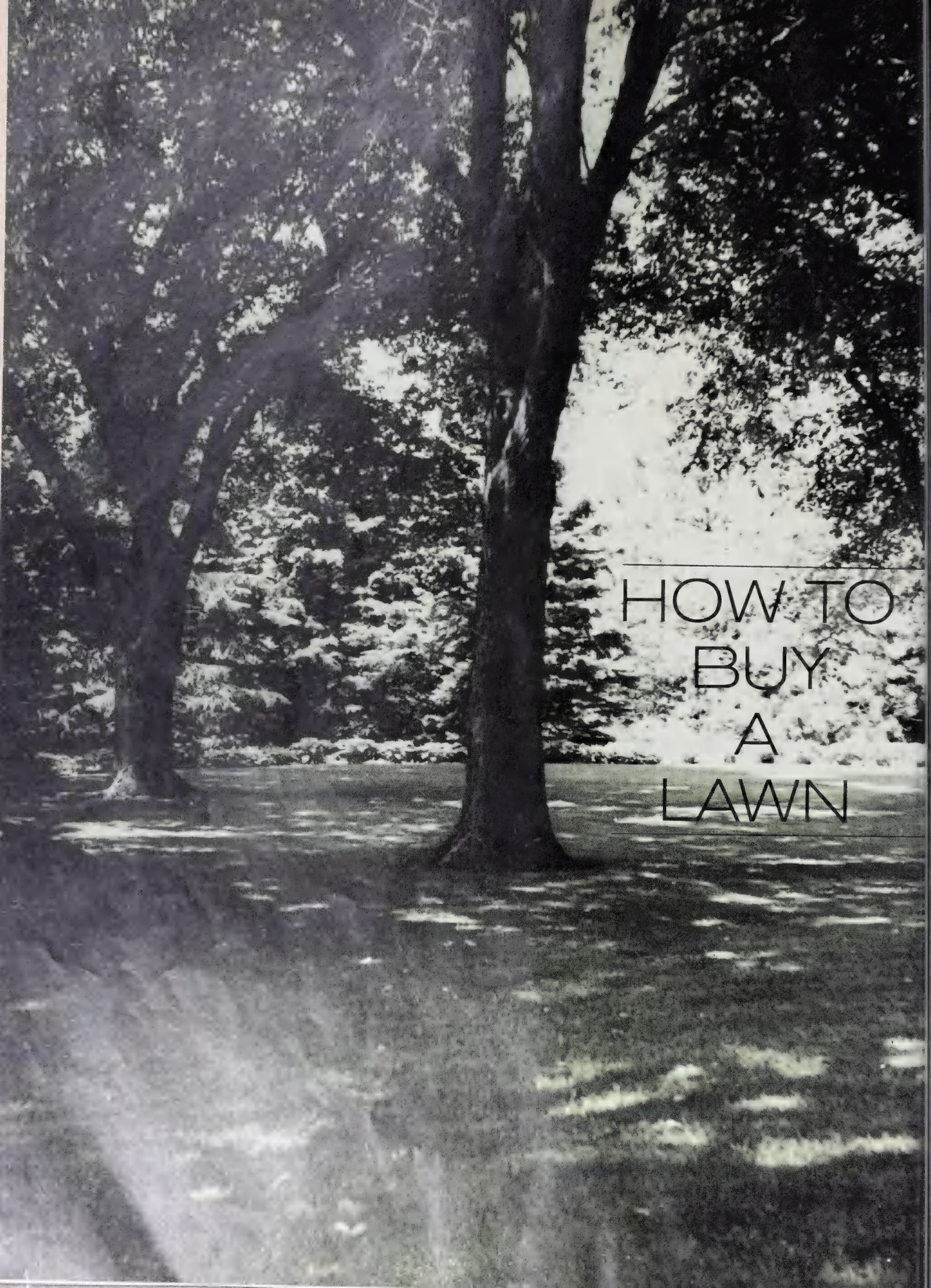
Another good way to establish land value is to find out if you could get a mortgage on a house built there. Go to a nearby savings and loan office, to savings banks, or other lending institutions and ask them what they think of that location and of your specific choice. If one lender turns you down, try to find out why and then go to another. If there is a reluctance to give a mortgage on a house in that location, you should be wary of the lot. Get the assessed value of nearby houses from the local tax office, as such information is public. The prices of adjacent lots are also a clue to values.

How does a "good location" affect values? A "good location" adds to land value, but it is very much an individual matter. Some families like to live close to the city, with next-door neighbors, schools, shops, churches, and other facilities close by. Others like the privacy of country living. Some like the suburbs; others can't stand them. For some men, driving time to work and the traffic problem are chief considerations. You must decide what is important to your family and your way of life.

To many families, an important feature is being on the best side of town and near where the most expensive houses are being built. To others, it is more important to have the best possible immediate surroundings. Trees, pleasant vistas, quiet surroundings, and a "good place to bring up children" may be of prime importance. As cities grow and land becomes more crowded, open space, green belts, and permanent park land add to the joy of living. All of these contribute to "good location," and the more established they are, the more certain you can be of your future value.

Just as a good environment adds to value, a poor environment detracts. The approach to your property is always important. An approach to a lot through a poor or run-down street, a poor row of stores, used-car lots, bars, taverns, or even swampy land can lower residential property values. A nearby subdivision of low-price houses also has the effect of lowering property values.

How do you judge zoning? Can you protect yourself in areas not yet zoned? The best zoning is often called "R-1," which means single-family residential. Find out how your prospective lot is zoned and also about nearby properties. Even if it is zoned R-1, the lots may be so small they can be used only for small houses. Be cautious of buying *(Continued on page 102)*


HOW TO
BUY
A
LAWN

Growing a lawn is like raising any other living organism. The initial cost of the grass is relatively minor when you consider the expense of maintenance year after year. Vigorous turf grows out of a continuing program of care and feeding. To get the most value for your investment of time and money, start with the best grass you can buy. Ironically, a bad lawn requires more effort than a good one. A healthy, dense turf will prevent weeds from multiplying and fend off other forms of pest and disease.

Grass breeders are constantly working toward varieties that naturally grow low and slowly so that mowing is required less frequently. At the same time they are looking for disease resistance and greater tolerance of extremes in temperature and moisture.

Fylking and Windsor are the two newest bluegrasses. They are available now in seed or sod. Originally from northern Europe, Fylking is amazingly resistant to all diseases, low-growing, and can be clipped as closely as one-half inch. Windsor is greener, thicker, and sturdier than other bluegrasses, yet it requires less mowing. Windsor stands up well in heat and drought; when seeded into an existing lawn, it will eventually take over, simply crowding out less vigorous grass are short-lived coarse grasses often used for quick-cover on a new lawn until the arrival of a better time to sow permanent grass. Perennial rye gets off to a fast start, probably its only desirable feature, and eventually bunches into clumps. Annual ryegrass, also called domestic or Italian, is coarser and lives only one season.

A number of factors determine whether you seed or sod a lawn. Soil preparation is the same for either. Seed of improved varieties is more widely distributed than sod of the same quality. Seed is less expensive initially, but more vulnerable to adverse weather, which can make reseeding necessary. Good sod is more costly in the beginning, but it is also more tolerant of less than perfect conditions and better able to compete with weeds. Sod is the way to have a beautiful lawn immediately, or to use for quick repair of bare places in established turf, provided you can match color and texture. Sod is easier to establish than seed on a steep incline, or in any other situation where erosion by wind or water is a problem.

When you buy lawn seed, read the label on the box carefully to be sure it contains the kind of grass you want. Some mixtures are clearly marked for specific purposes, such as

Today's approach to lawnkeeping is that man is master, and while natural elements can make it difficult at times, having a perfectly manicured, evenly green lawn is a highly satisfying experience. Especially when it is newly green after rain, fragrant when freshly cut on a summer evening, or when you stroll through it barefoot. The way to a beautiful lawn, 1969-style, is to start with the best grass you can buy. Feed it well, mow frequently, and invest in an underground sprinkler system that will water the lawn automatically, even when you are away. *By* ELVIN McDONALD

strains. The newest fescues are Highlight and Oasis. Both form a dense sod with erect growth that can be kept closely clipped. The color, texture, and growth habit is such that either variety can be used alone in full sun, or in dry, shaded situations, and in mixtures with bluegrass.

The best grass for you depends on where you live and how your lawn will be used. Wherever northern or cool-season grasses are grown, most lawns are either all bluegrass, or a mixture of bluegrass and fine fescues. Solid bentgrass is common on the golf course, and sometimes is used for a home lawn where intensive care is possible. It is not desirable to mix bentgrass with bluegrass, except possibly in a shaded situation. Red fescues and *Poa trivialis* are also used in shade. For rough-and-tumble play or low-maintenance utility lawns, the tall fescues like Alta and Kentucky 31 are excellent. In arid, cold climates, crested wheatgrass and buffalo are used. Redtop, a bentgrass that doesn't creep, and rye-

utility, play, or shade. Coarse grasses like annual rye for quick cover are inexpensive. High-quality perennial grass seeds are never cheap. If the price seems unusually low, double check the label. Occasionally cut-rate packages may imply that they are predominately a selected bluegrass, such as Merion, when in reality they contain only a token amount, maybe no more than one percent.

The best time to start a new lawn from seed is late August or early September. Early spring is next. Sodding is possible at almost any time weather permits putting it down. To establish a new lawn from seed: (1) Level and grade. (2) Prepare soil to a depth of four to six inches; if it is poor subsoil, enrich with peat moss or compost. (3) To each 1,000 square feet of area, apply 50 to 75 pounds ground dolomitic limestone and 30 to 40 pounds superphosphate, work these into the top four to six inches of soil. A soil pH of 6.5 is desirable. (4) Rake the (*Continued on page 162*)

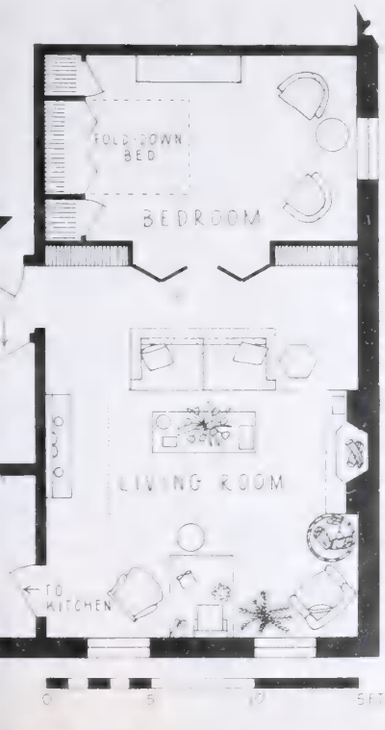
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CADDER

In a city brownstone

TINY PLACE WITH STYLE AND GRACE

A selective eye, careful attention to scale—these contribute to the charm of this modest apartment created in an old New York house. Lawrence V. Power, a young public-relations man, fashioned two small but comfortable rooms from one large, awkward space. He removed the original glass doors separating the front room from a small inside space, and installed imposing, dark-stained double doors flanked with bookcases. The new doors screen the bed-sitting room, which is equipped with a fold-down bed. In other changes, Mr. Power added dark-stained moldings at the ceiling line and textured paint on the walls. He restored the fireplace mantel to its original slate after removing several coats of paint. Furniture is kept to a minimum, each piece chosen with an eye to size and placement in the room.



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Front room of small apartment in New York is separated from bed-sitting room by dark-stained double doors and bookcases shown on facing page. (Floor plan, left.) The view from the entry is shown above. A Welsh dresser, top of this page, occupies wall opposite fireplace. Fold-down bed, top right, is behind double doors.

HOW TO FOIL THE BURGLAR

By MARGARET COUSINS

On a sunny spring morning that presaged the end of winter, an attractive, well-dressed woman entered the elevator in a conservative midtown apartment house in New York City and gave the name of a resident on the ninth floor. Half an hour later she rang the elevator bell and reentered the elevator. She was now wearing an unobtrusive black Persian lamb coat and carrying a mink jacket and a sable scarf. She remarked pleasantly to the elevator man that she was taking Mrs. A's furs to storage for her. She did not add that her alligator handbag (which she had doubtless picked up on a previous foray) was crammed with the jewelry of Mrs. A and the occupants of two other apartments in the building, to which she had gained access by inserting a plastic credit card in the spring locks, tumbling the bolts without making a sound or a scratch on the door.

When Mrs. A returned from an errand to discover that her apartment had been rifled and her furs and jewelry were missing, the police were called. But it was not until evening that it was established that two other apartments in the building had been robbed and that four other houses in a two-block radius had been visited by an attractive, well-dressed lady who had skillfully relieved them of their portable valuables. In each instance the woman had gained access to the apartment buildings by naming residents, none of whom were at home at the time. The raid was obviously the result of careful planning.

On a Sunday afternoon near the end of summer, the owners of a beach house on the Maryland shore donned their city clothes, threw their luggage into the back of their car, and began the traffic-ridden sunset hegira back to town. As they pulled out of their driveway and headed for the highway, an automobile that had been parked down the beach road backed up and drove in. Two young couples got out. The young men forced a lock on the rear door of the house, opened the front door, and carried in luggage. The party then repaired to the well-stocked bar and made themselves at home.

From Sunday night until the following Friday afternoon, they enjoyed the charms of the sedate beach colony, largely deserted during the week. The local police, who made a diurnal check, presumed that the homeowners were spending their vacation in the house. One neighbor, who saw the group swimming in the surf, thought the B's had turned their house over to some of their young relatives. Shortly after noon on Friday, the interlopers got into the car (stolen in Washington) and drove away.

When the B's arrived a few hours later to spend the weekend, they found their home in an indescribable state of filth; in every room was evidence of marijuana smoking, wanton breakage, and vandalism. The house had been stripped of liquor and food supplies, television sets, transistor radios, phonograph, cameras, binoculars, small appliances, house and garden tools, a typewriter, and most of the clothing.

These incidents delineate the two extremes of a flourishing subculture in the United States based, economically, on burglary. The first is typical of the meticulous professional in the old tradition, in which the method is capable of exquisite refinement and the stakes are high —furs, jewels, money, and invaluable collections. The second is an example of lawless, amoral riffraff, often teen-aged, who prey without plan or program. (Generally aware of the habits of a beach colony, this group chose the B's house because the B's happened to be first to leave for the city.) They have usually spent time in jail and are not deterred by the possibility of being caught again. They steal what can easily be disposed of to eager fences, fattening themselves on a market of rising affluence. Either way—and in all the shades and gradations of burglary in between—the homeowner pays the freight.



In recent years burglary in the United States has gone beyond the status of a criminal profession and become an industry. In 1967 more than 1,600,000 houses and apartments were robbed with a toll of more than $350,000,000. Figures for 1968 were appreciably higher. In New York alone in the first eight months of 1968, a sum total of 113,372 burglaries were reported. On the luxury-apartment East Side of Manhattan, there are 1,000 burglaries a month.

The new brazenness of today's burglars was revealed when three different types were willing to give definitive interviews —anonymous, of course—to a writer from *The New York Times*, in which the candidly described their methods and denigrated the intelligence of their victims. One successful career burglar, Robert Earl Barnes, presently deterred by a 15-year term in a Maryland prison, has written a pamphlet of advice to homeowners about the protection of their property and is under contract to produce a book on the subject. Barnes, now 35, estimates that he has robbed more than 3,000 private homes and knows all the angles. He says that he plans to go into legitimate business when he emerges, designing and marketing security devices.

While the average citizen may feel concern over the statistics of increasing crime, the likelihood of his becoming a victim seldom occurs to him. This is indicated by the carelessness, ignorance, and naïveté he exhibits when it comes to protective measures. The odds are otherwise, and it behooves anyone who maintains a home to try to discover as much about the habits and customs of burglars as burglars find out about their victims.

It is generally conceded by both the police and the maurauders that a residence cannot be rendered burglarproof. Given sufficient time and no interference, a burglar can get into any house. Protective measures hinge on providing interference and limiting time. The majority of burglars (excepting rank amateurs, addicts, or the mentally ill) prefer to work in an uninhabited house. There is a

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good reason, in addition to the decised likelihood of being caught: when one is at home, the legal definition of glary is *housebreaking;* if there is ebody in the house, burglary becomes *bery*, a different criminal classification ly to carry a more severe penalty.

at you should know about burglars

ce the burglar prefers an untenanted se, you should know the effort he es to determine that the house is ty when he arrives. He is likely to re- to sophisticated measures to insure tude while he is at work. He reads the ial columns to find out whether house- ders are departing on vacations or at- ding weddings or balls that will in- ve the whole family. He reads obitu- notices to discover whether the house l be left unattended while the family its a funeral home. He reads classified s of valuables for sale and is cheered if address of the house is included in the vertisement. He reads profiles and fea- e stories to locate collectors of coins, mps, and works of art. He uses the ephone and will frequently call his get house several times before he ar- es. If there is an answering service, he ll gossip with the operator in an effort find out exactly when absent people e expected to return home. He may fol- w them around for a day or so and ake friends with their garage attendant parking-lot driver to familiarize him- lf with their movements.

The burglar making preliminary investigation of a house may present himself at the door as a magazine salesman, inspector, repair man, or delivery boy, in order to "case" the house. Unidentified persons should never be permitted to enter your home for any reason unless they can offer satisfactory credentials. The casual hiring of domestic or gardening help without careful attention to their references invites a study of your possessions and floor plan. Occasionally, especially in vacation and resort areas where the background of strangers is less likely to be examined, a professional burglar may crash a social circle as a bridge player or the squire of the daughter of the house. (Professional burglars are likely to be well-dressed, suave, and imaginative.) This will provide him with unlimited opportunity to study the possibilities. Professionals of established status may carry on sizable public-relations operations, including attentions, tips, and bribes to people who have access to your house.

The burglar takes a special interest in houses where mail, newspapers, or milk deliveries accumulate, where curtains and blinds are fully drawn, and where one dim light is left burning day and night in the same place. One small dim light is a sure tip-off, even to an amateur, that the house is deserted. Burglars are also cheered by seasonable signs. In summer months, if the air conditioner or window fans are not working and the lawn needs mowing, he rests assured the family is on vacation. In the fall, if autumn leaves have accumulated to a neglected degree, he assumes the people are away. In the snows of winter if walks and paths remain unshoveled—or if tire and footprints lead in one direction, away from the house, he feels secure about breaking and entering. If the garage door is open and all the cars are gone, the burglar knows that you are gone too.

Burglars are known to prefer ranch-type houses that are apt to have sliding doors into a court or patio, an easy means of entrance. (Sliding doors can be secured by dropping a small curtain rod into the empty track when the door is closed.) The one-story house is also easier because the burglar does not have to go upstairs to find the master bedroom, where valuables are kept by almost everybody. The burglar always makes a beeline for the master bedroom.

When it comes to landscaping, the burglar prefers a back door heavily shrouded with shrubbery, with heavy foliage planted under all rear windows, since these give him a place to hide. He likes a basement entrance well concealed by plantings. He prefers Dutch or divided doors, since they are easy to break into, and he likes all doors to open inward, because they can be kicked in with a minimum of trouble. The burglar has no interest in the front door, since he never uses it.

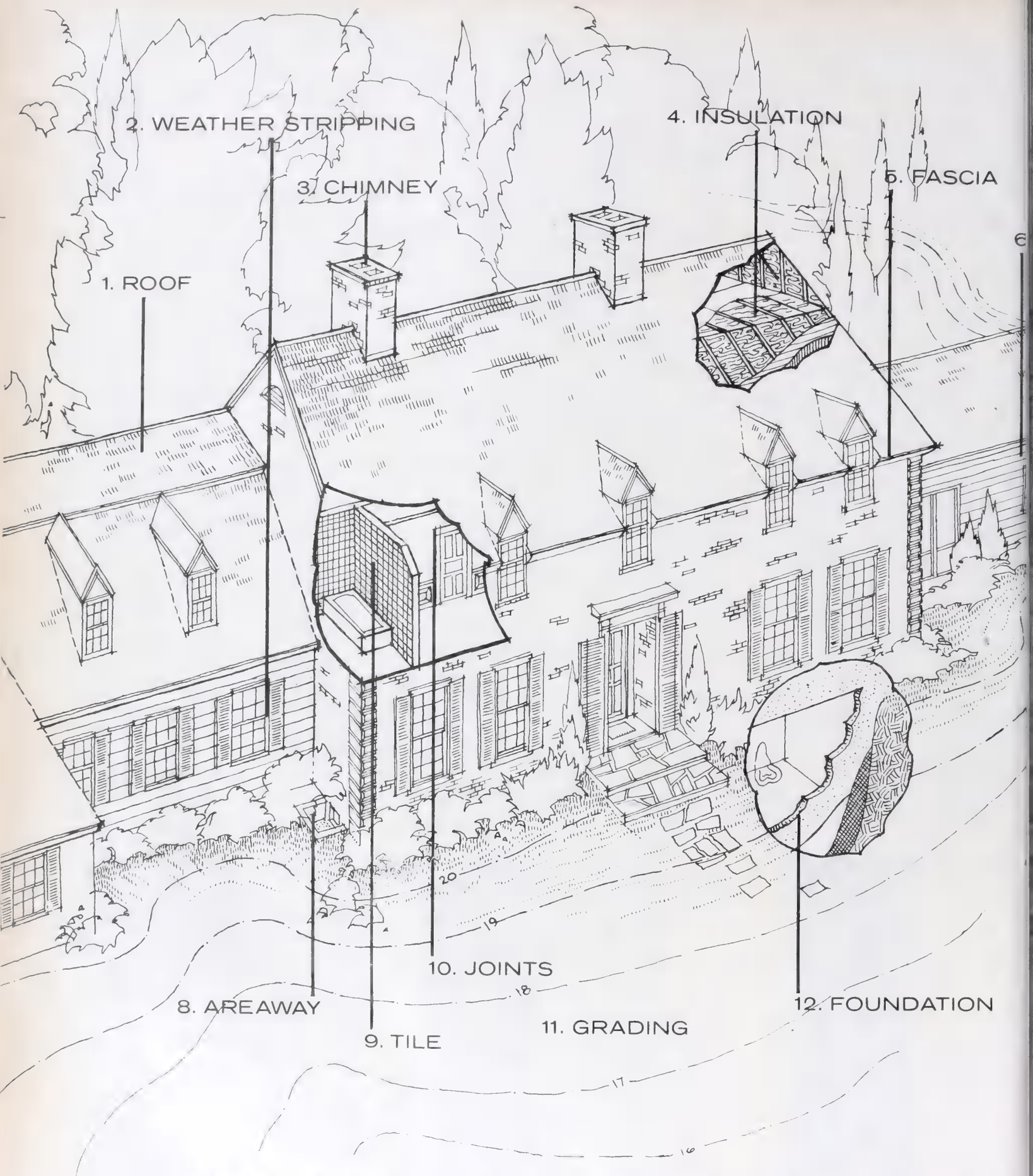
According to the United States Crime Reports, about half of all residential burglaries occur in the daytime, and the other half before midnight. The daytime burglar works from 9:30 or 10 A.M., after the mail delivery, to 3:30 P.M., when children can be expected home from school, since this is the period when the housewife is most likely to be away from home. The nighttime burglar works from 7 P.M. until midnight. The apartment-house burglar, whose investigations are based on information garnered from other people, usually works in the daytime, when service entrances and exits are open. The "cat" burglar, often an addict or a deranged person, is a sneak thief who works at night. Usually small and wiry, able to negotiate narrow spaces and little windows, he is the most dangerous since he is unpredictable. Police advise that you pretend sleep if you discover him in your house. He will take only money or jewelry.

The typical burglar requires about ten minutes to loot a house and make his getaway. While the professional is usually unarmed, if you return home in the midst of his operation it is wise to go next door and call the police rather than confront him. You will have a better chance of catching him with the booty if you do not disturb him. Burglars often leave telltale signs—heel *(Continued on page 165)*

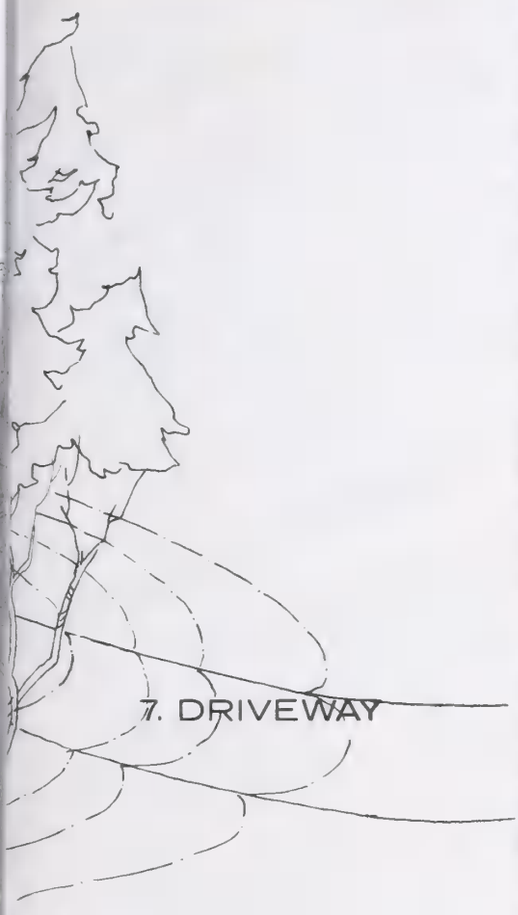
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QUALITY OR NOT?



HOW TO TELL

If you're serious about looking for or building a new home, you've probably decided first on where you want to live. As you should. And no doubt you've settled, in a general way at least, on the style of architecture you like and the size of the house you need.

The next step—judging the quality of the house—isn't so easy. If the thought of it makes you apprehensive, you have plenty of company. Even seasoned homeowners have been known to make mistakes buying or building a new house. Certainly if you're scouting for your first house, you have a right to innocence.

Then how can you be sure you get *your money's worth* in a house? By making a number of fairly simple observations and posing some penetrating questions. What you ought to look for and ask is included in the guide that begins at right. If you're at all familiar with the maze of parts in a house, you'll notice that only a portion are mentioned here. Yet, on the basis of these recommendations you can make a sound judgment about workmanship and materials for the entire house. It's a sophisticated iceberg theory. You see the peak above water and know a giant mass of ice is below. You see a series of small, favorable signs in a house, and you can assume with reasonable accuracy that what you don t observe or know about has been built with the same care and sense of responsibility.

Two admonitions before you begin: The *perfect* house will never be built. There are too many elements involved, including honest differences of opinion. And second, there are some flaws we can learn to live with.

By JOHN H. INGERSOLL

1. Roof

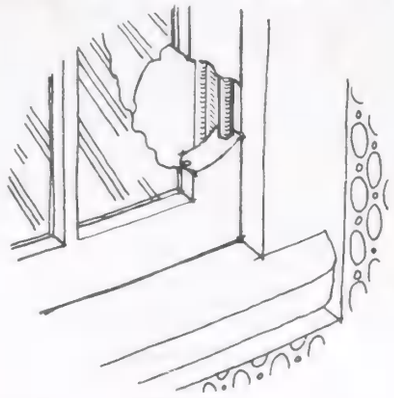
To determine the condition of a roof on an older home takes a practiced professional eye, glaring flaws excluded. But you can begin your sleuthing on total quality in a new, old, or yet-to-be-built home by finding out what the roofing is. If asphalt shingles, ask the weight. Minimum today is 235 pounds (that is, 235 pounds of shingles on each 100 square feet of roof). That will do, but shingles 300 pounds and up are far longer-lasting and better protection. And at the top: new Class "A" fire-rated composition shingles in 300-pound and higher weights.

Traditional cedar shingles are fine; cedar shakes, excellent, and a bonus if they're made fire resistant (expect a stiff jump in price). Other traditional materials: slate, copper, terne metal, tile, mineral fiber (asbestos-cement) all indicate high quality.

Durability of a flat or so-called built-up roof rests on the roofer's competence. Materials are secondary. Newest on the roof: aluminum shingles. They do *not* sound like a tin shed roof in the rain; are long-lasting: add a *soupçon* of additional insulation.

2. Weather stripping

More warm air escapes from a house in winter through sliver openings between window sash and frame (or a door and its frame) than by any other route short of an open window or door. Good weather stripping stops this loss (as well as unwanted heat gain during summer air conditioning). During your house inspection, open double-hung windows and see if stripping is included. The best type will be



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ridged into the sash (see above). Spring metal strips in tension against the sash, fiber strips, and plastic seals rate a lower grade but they pass, and are the only way to weatherstrip non-sliding

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QUALITY OR NOT? *Continued*

windows (casements, awning windows) and doors. Open the main door in the house and feel for a flexible seal (vinyl, pile) on the bottom of the door, or look for it on the threshold.

It's rare for windows and doors in a house to have no weather stripping. But if you find it doesn't, make a note in your minus column.

3. Chimney

You certainly aren't going to climb up on the roof and inspect the chimney. But from the ground you can make one important observation. Does it look as though the top of the chimney is at least two feet above the roof ridge? If so, fine. That means a fire in the fireplace will draw well, assuming other elements of the fireplace construction are correct. And how can you tell that? See if any soot marks are on the fireplace facing. Open the damper; shake it a little; wait for the dust to settle; then, lean in and look up. You ought to see daylight.

Of course, starting a fire is the only sure way to tell. If you're serious about the house and doubtful about the fireplace, ask permission to start a fire. If smoke billows into the room, barter for an adjustment in the house price, or ask for repairs before purchase.

4. Insulation

Unless you see a house in blueprints, or as it's being framed, you'll have to ask about insulation. Probe beyond. "Is this house insulated?" Ask how much, and where.

Heat escapes fastest through the ceiling or roof in winter, penetrates there first in summer. More insulation is needed in that area than in the walls or under exposed floors. A six-inch thickness of glass or mineral wool between ceiling joists, or between rafters when the attic becomes living space, is top-grade (and necessary if electric resistance elements heat the house). A so-called full-thick batt —about 3½"—is adequate. Less than that isn't enough.

In the walls, a full-thick batt is very good; a "builder" batt, about 1⅞", adequate. Same is true for the space under floors exposed to weather (over a crawl space, for example).

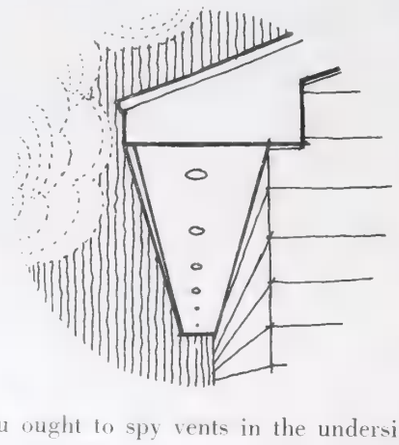
If you're inspecting a basementless house in a cold winter area, ask if foam plastic insulation has been applied around the perimeter of the concrete slab. It should be.

Finally, ask, "Are there vapor barriers on the inside of the insulation?" Without a barrier to stop it, house moisture will seep through walls and eventually blister oil paint on siding; could even make insulation soggy and begin to rot wood studs and plates.

5. Fascia

A good sign of quality construction. Fascia refers to the vertical board immediately below the last line of shingles at the eave. Stand at one end of the house and sight down the fascia. See a continuous, smooth, vertically-straight line? Good. Another indication the builder is careful, conscientious. See ripples and warps in the board? Structurally unimportant, but the implication is haphazard construction. Though not as significant, because they aren't as long, you can apply the same test to rake boards, vertical boards under eaves on the gable ends.

Now look under the eave. Assuming the roof edge has a closed cornice (instead of rows of rafter ends showing),



you ought to spy vents in the underside, or soffit. These vents can be round, as above, oblong, rectangular, or continuous. Their purpose: to encourage a flow of air from the eave, across the underside of the roof and out gable vents—or better still, out the openings in a continuous ridge vent. This keeps hot summer air from collecting in the attic; helps prevent condensation in winter.

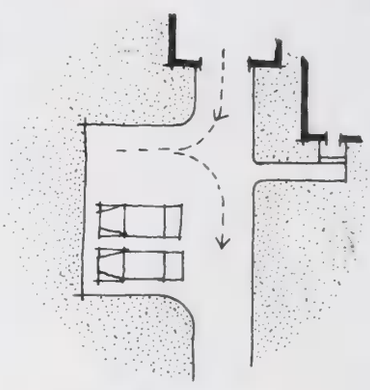
No soffit vents? A black mark. No screening in the vent openings? A gray mark, since open vents invite wasps and other pests to make nests in your at

6. Siding

Not very relevant, which is why it's m tioned here. You should not judge ho construction by the type of siding on outer walls. Wood, brick, stone, alu num, hardboard—make a choice on w pleases you esthetically. New plastic ishes have made nearly all sidings m durable. Fifteen-year guarantees agai blistering, checking, and similar deter ration are commonplace. And, of cour brick and stone remain brick and sto lifetime products.

7. Driveway

Is there space in the driveway for gu parking? In suburbia "your friends a rarely your neighbors." If you have pe ple in, nine times out of ten they'll a



rive by car. Where to park an auto be comes an annoyance when the drivewa is a straight strip from street to garag

Second, is there a path between th driveway and main door? You probabl won't mind entering the house throug your kitchen. But shouldn't your guest get their first glimpse of your new hous in its best light? (Footnote: the path i our sketch of the house two pages back was omitted to show grade lines clear ly.) Speaking of light:

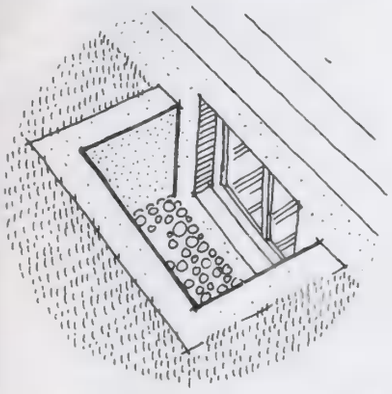
Look for outdoor lighting in the park ing area for cars, and along the walkway from drive to front door.

8. Areaway

Light, and sufficient room for ventilation through a basement window is the reason for building areaways. Look for poured-concrete or concrete-block construction. That's best. Sheet metal—rate it fair, and expect to replace it eventually. No areaway—a rare flaw that definitely is wrong. Also, peer into the areaway. Is there a drain? Good. Or at least six inches of crushed stone, as shown in the next drawing. Also good. Nothing more than

oil at the bottom? Give it a poor mark. Too much chance for water to back up. nd, if it doesn't leak into your basement —which it probably will—the window ill is in for a good soaking, and may rot n time.

While you're wandering around the



house looking at areaways, check for outdoor access to the basement. A walkout basement? Fine. But if not, a pair of basement doors, canted against the house and opening to concrete basements steps is a convenience you'll come to appreciate many times.

9. Bathroom tile

Builders who habitually cut corners show their hand in finishing the bath walls. Tile on walls around a shower-tub combination, if installed to a point above the shower head, meet minimum standards. Tile continued up the wall to the ceiling indicates a concern for you, as well as for the standards.

As long as you're in the bath, flush the toilet. Is the rush of water noisy? That means the fixture is a serviceable but bottom-of-the-line unit. A top-grade fixture will flush with barely a sound. If you're in the prebuilding stage of a house, specify a "quiet-flush" toilet.

Now look again in the shower. A builder bent on quality everywhere might install two shower heads: one at a man's height; one at the average woman's stature—an extra cost but well worth it in bathing comfort. And ask about the shower faucet. Is it the type that maintains the same water temperature, despite a sudden pressure drop in the supply line? Definitely top grade.

Another quality clue: the joint between tub and tile wall. Is the caulking smooth and cleanly applied? Good. A slightly irregular line of caulk, or one that indents at some point implies hurried or downright sloppy workmanship.

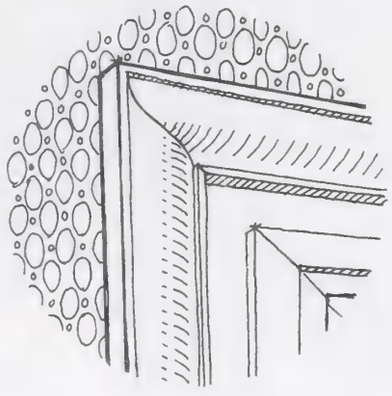
Is there an exhaust fan in the bath? Should be, whether the bath is on an inside or outside wall. And if there is one, turn it on. Noisy? Then the builder has installed an inexpensive unit. A quality fan is relatively—though never completely—quiet.

Have you planned to specify, or is there already ceramic tile on the bathroom or kitchen counter? Then an epoxy grout should be used between the tiles. Ordinary portland-cement grout, fine for most other work, is susceptible to staining on a counter. Epoxy grout isn't. The official generic name for epoxy grout is "Tile Council of America Formula UG-II" grout.

10. Joints

Here's a quick and easy test for quality. Few houses lack casing around windows and doors, molding along the base of walls. How the molding is joined at corners is a clear indication of workmanship. Quality work will produce a mitered joint cleanly executed and matched perfectly. Look especially for a neat fit at the corners of figured molding, as below.

Moldings provide other clues to quality. A 2″-high baseboard hides the wall-floor joint—its principal function. But a 3″ or 4″ molding looks much better and is more in balance with the average height of rooms in a house. Same is true for a cove molding at the wall-ceiling joint. A curved 2″ member will do the job, but a deeper molding or combina-



tion of moldings is more attractive, and shows the builder was willing to spend a little extra to give you the best.

Then look for a chair rail—at least in the dining room. And another useful strip: corner guard moldings at the outside corner wall joints.

11. Grading

Although the little sketch in the next column is somewhat whimsical, a badly graded lot often does make the house seem as though it's sitting on a sand pile.

Determining the quality of grading isn't as easy as some of the other steps mentioned above. But because every new house is on a lot that requires some grading—if only to backfill against the foundation wall—it remains a significant guide to quality throughout.

Good grading is natural. The curves and slopes of soil around the house appear as though they belong there as much as the configurations of surrounding



land. New and existing gradings blend with one another. Minimum or poor grading usually looks "forced"; may be uneven, and often does not flow logically from one property to the next.

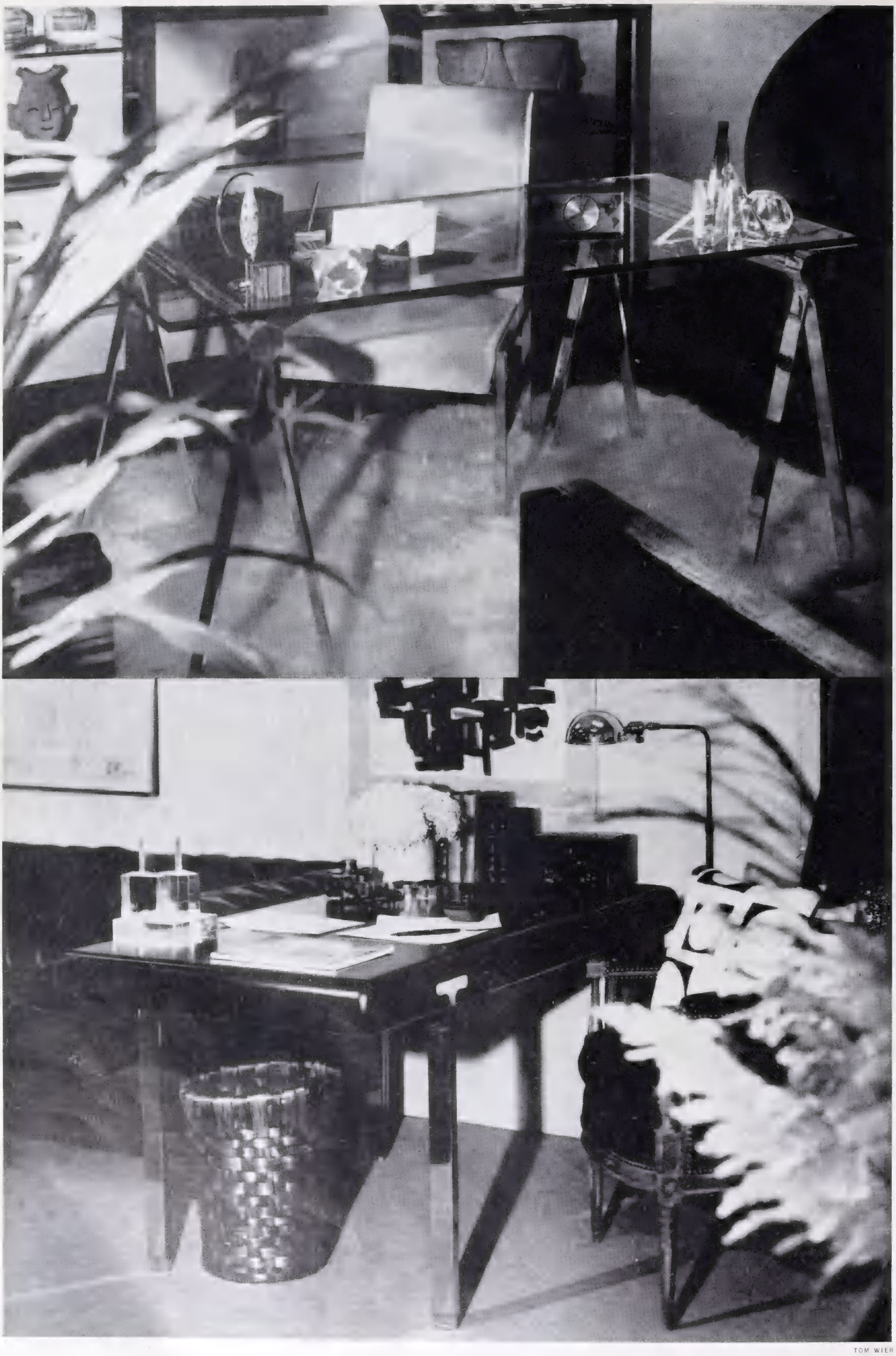
Then, too, has the builder been careful to preserve existing trees?

The addition of new shrubbery and saplings isn't a sign of good *or* bad quality. Landscaping is a matter of personal taste. To build the landscaping you want, what you really need is a clean, well-graded lot.

12. Foundation

Water in the basement is a legitimate concern for any home buyer. Avoiding a flood there calls for some investigation and/or questions. First, find out if basement flooding is a problem in the community. If it is, then make *sure* you find out the following: (a) Is there drain tile around the foundation base, and crushed stone under the tile to a depth at least below the footing? (b) Have the *outside* walls of the foundation been waterproofed with a combination of mastic and membrane? (c) In an area where basement sump pumps are commonly found (which indicates strong hydrostatic pressure pushing up against the basement floor), has the builder installed a sump pump?

A little scouting on your own helps too (unless you're building a house, in which case you can specify all these things). Tour the basement; look for puddles or (*Continued on page 164*)



TOM WIER

DESKS TO LIVE WITH FOREVER

Editor:
RICHARD FITZ GERALD

A sensible desk, these days, is an essential. A fine desk, a treasure, to be chosen, like other long-lasting valuables, with a critical eye to workmanship, suitability, beauty of design. If the tag reads like a lot of money, divide the price by the number of years of pride, service, and pleasure a truly good desk will give, and *that* figure is likely to make a costly desk seem no extravagance but a bargain—not even counting its legacy-worth. Here and overleaf, seven very different desks, each one superlatively excellent of its kind. Among them, perhaps, one that clearly says to you "Take me; I'm yours." Such a directly appealing piece is an investment sure to pay off handsomely, beginning now, going on far into the future.



Saw-horse desk, top left, ready to double as a dining table. A familiar idea turned brilliantly contemporary in glass. 60″ by 30″, on an architectural base of aluminum. A Henry Neuman design for Pace/Jil. About $700. Tomorrow-minded desk, left, typifying smooth efficiency. The black leather top and its leather-wrapped frame. 60″ by 30″, set on shining stainless-steel "T" legs with adjustable glides. By John Mascheroni. About $1,350. George Washington desk, top right. Kittinger's faithful reproduction of Lafayette's gift to the first President when he was inaugurated in what was then the nation's capital, New York City. The original stayed on, is now one of the prides of Gracie Mansion. This reproduction, true to its 18th-century forebear, approximately $1,855. The only updating, in the accessories pictured. A fine Sheffield clock, for instance, instead of an hour-glass. Steel and bronze doré bureau plat, leather topped, its Louis XVI beauty shown, right, shining in a Park Avenue library decorated by Jay Dorf. With slides pulled out, this desk is 80″ wide. By John Vesey. About $8,400.

DESKS TO LIVE WITH FOREVER

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Exquisitely painted and decorated in pale blue and me tints on off-white, the secretary-bookcase, left, has such delicate grace and elegance it could star as *the* important patterned piece in a lady's living room, libra or bed-sitting room. Being 87″ high, it deserves the compliment of an old-style high ceiling, but needs only 46″ of wall space. By Baker. Approximately $3,24 As today as the latest high-rise, the knee-hole cabinet-desk, below, made of Far Eastern walnut veneer outlined



in American black walnut. The drawer pulls, cast white bronze; the drawers, lockable. A considerate distinction, the slightly angled top, tilted just enough to make all that paper-work a little easier for a tycoon, budding or full-blown, to deal with. 75″ by 36″. By Jens Risom. Régence desk, left, cleverly combining the charm of gentle curves with the glossy practicality of a leather top, the handiness of half a dozen drawers hinting that it's not too hard to be orderly. If the rosy ghost of a Watteau lady sometimes hovers around this period piece surely she would be as pleased as the new owner with the writing adjuncts of these times—a variety of pens but no goose-quills. Crane letter papers in many styles and tints. Desk by Roundtree, 40″ wide. About $1,420.

TOUJOURS L'ARMOIRE

Rising to new heights of popularity. The armoire, a European tradition now adopted by the U.S.A. Just right in the bedroom. Equally good in a foyer. High risers for storing clothing, for hiding the television or stereo, for linens or games. Great storage in a tiny floor space.







TOM LAUER



PHOTOGRAPHS AT RIGHT, TOP AND BOTTOM: HOWARD GRAFF

Crisply modern silhouette, above, with cane-paneled doors. A good mixer anywhere. Wood-grain pattern on drawers and sides in a new tough laminate finish. 72″ by 34″ by 17″. From Directional Industries. $250.
Fruitwood cabinet, top right, with deeply carved doors in the French country manner. 82″ by 49″ by 20″. In an antiqued finish. Milling Road. $1,106.
Flavor of the frontier, center, in a tall cabinet with fluted pilasters, dentil molding. 74″ by 41″ by 20″. Academy Hill by Heywood-Wakefield. $450.
Shirred curtains, bottom, behind brass grille door panels add to the French flavor of this adaptable piece. Base cabinet has shelves behind trim doors. In painted finish. 76″ by 38″ by 21″. By Tomlinson. $1,100.



Ready, here and now, today's pet:

THE UBIQUITOUS SHORT SOFA

Chic. Convenient. Flexible. Conversation-sofas. Fit anywhere. Have all the style in the world. Here we show you eight that run the whole spectrum of furniture design today. Perfect in narrow rooms, against short walls, paired before a hearth. For House Beautiful's Here-and-Now stories featuring these, see page 160.
Above: Three cushions, the fat chintz quilted cushion, the hand-carved frame give this two-seater great charm. Interior Crafts. $430.
Facing page, top: Surprise sleep space in a delightful tailored sofa. Red-piped natural-linen cover (Zepel finish) with kick pleat. Hide-A-Bed by Simmons. $220. Howard Graff country house.
Top right: The bamboo and leather look. White-brushed simulated bamboo frame, cushioned in a black vinyl fabric. Century. $323. James R. Patterson apartment.
Below left: Well-mannered silhouette with French accents. In velvet by Thomasville. $560. Karl Springer apartment.
Below right: Soft-edge pillows of gray men's-wear contrast a hard-edge walnut frame. Armstrong. $451. *More*













THE UBIQUITOUS SHORT SOFA *continued*

A softly curved design, above, to fit snugly in a paisley-patterned bandl of a sitting room. Well-scaled luxt for a small room. Upholstered in a deep beige plush. By Craft. $275.
The wagon seat updated, left, a remind of stagecoach days, plump with soft cushions upholstered in a cockatoo pri Shown in Karl Springer's New York apar ment. Dark-toned oak frame by Globe.
The stately camel-back sofa, opposite page, in a compact size. A pair formin a pleasing conversation area in front of a handsome fieldstone fireplace.
Sofas from the Lafayette collection by Pennsylvania House. In a multicolor woven plaid fabric. Each one, $400.

PRICES ARE APPROXIMATE





THE LAUNDRY DOLLAR, WELL-SPENT

By NANCY CRAIG

Laundry equipment has never had much glamour, but one look above at the "automatics" introduced at the turn of the century and you know why washday was known as "blue Monday." Despite such enticing names as "the pastime" washer and "the hired girl," laundry was drudgery and relegated, if possible, to a laundress.

After World War II with all its social changes, women were forced to come face-to-face with the problem of managing their own laundry and cleaning. In a maidless society, the introduction of the agitator-type automatic washer in the late 1940's was a major breakthrough. Here was a meaningful convenience that answered a tremendous need. Today, almost 20 years later, the washer and dryer are essential pieces of equipment in any well-managed household.

Since that time, countless improvements in both technology and design have been made. Many of the most recent have gone hand-in-hand with extraordinary developments in synthetic textiles. From the beginning, easy-care fabrics had enormous appeal, but they did not always live up to their promise. Not every home had the proper equipment to handle them. This is true even today. A five-year-old washer and dryer may be in excellent operating condition, but they are not really equipped to handle "permanent press" automatically. If the "no ironing needed" tag is still a myth in your household, chances are your laundry needs updating.

What do today's washers offer that the earlier automatics lacked? Improved washing action, for one thing, but also more sophisticated controls and refinements to handle the plethora of synthetic fabrics and new soil-resistant and soil-repellent finishes. Machines are now engineered to handle cottons, delicate fabrics, woolens, silks, wash-and-wear, permanent press—with cycles that extend from "pre-wash" and "soak" on through the final "spin dry." Anything that can be hand-washed is launderable in today's automatic washer, including precious cashmeres.

For a long time the dryer was just a luxury. Today it is a necessity, a crucial factor in achieving optimum results with permanent press. The tumbling of articles in gentle heat and the gradual cool-down makes "dryer-ironing" possible.

How do you select the right mechanical wizards for you? There is no one model of any washer or dryer made that would satisfy every woman. Preferences vary in accordance with individual needs. Manufacturers have developed special convenience features to meet almost any requirement. The number of all such

convenience features determines the price. You can buy exactly what you need.

In a household with a number of king- and queen-size beds—and therefore quantities of linens to be washed—an oversize washer of 18-pound capacity (Norge) is almost a necessity. Most standard washers are designed for smaller loads. At the opposite end of the scale is the washer with an extra small basket in which baby clothes or pieces of lingerie can be washed in a minimum of water (General Electric). One important development is the variable-speed washer, designed for women who still prefer to use their own laundry recipes. Such machines make possible an infinite variety of washing combinations to handle the laundry needs of today and the future (Frigidaire, General Electric, and Hotpoint).

Scales have been incorporated in the door of one automatic washer so that water level, detergent, and other additives may be accurately measured to the load (Westinghouse). Many machines have dispensers that add bleach in the last few minutes, or release a fabric conditioner in the final rinse. In one model, the bleach dispenser can also be used to dispense dye automatically, making home dyeing, finally, an easy job (Frigidaire). A new development is a unified laundry center with eye-level controls on twin machines and built-in storage space (Frigidaire).

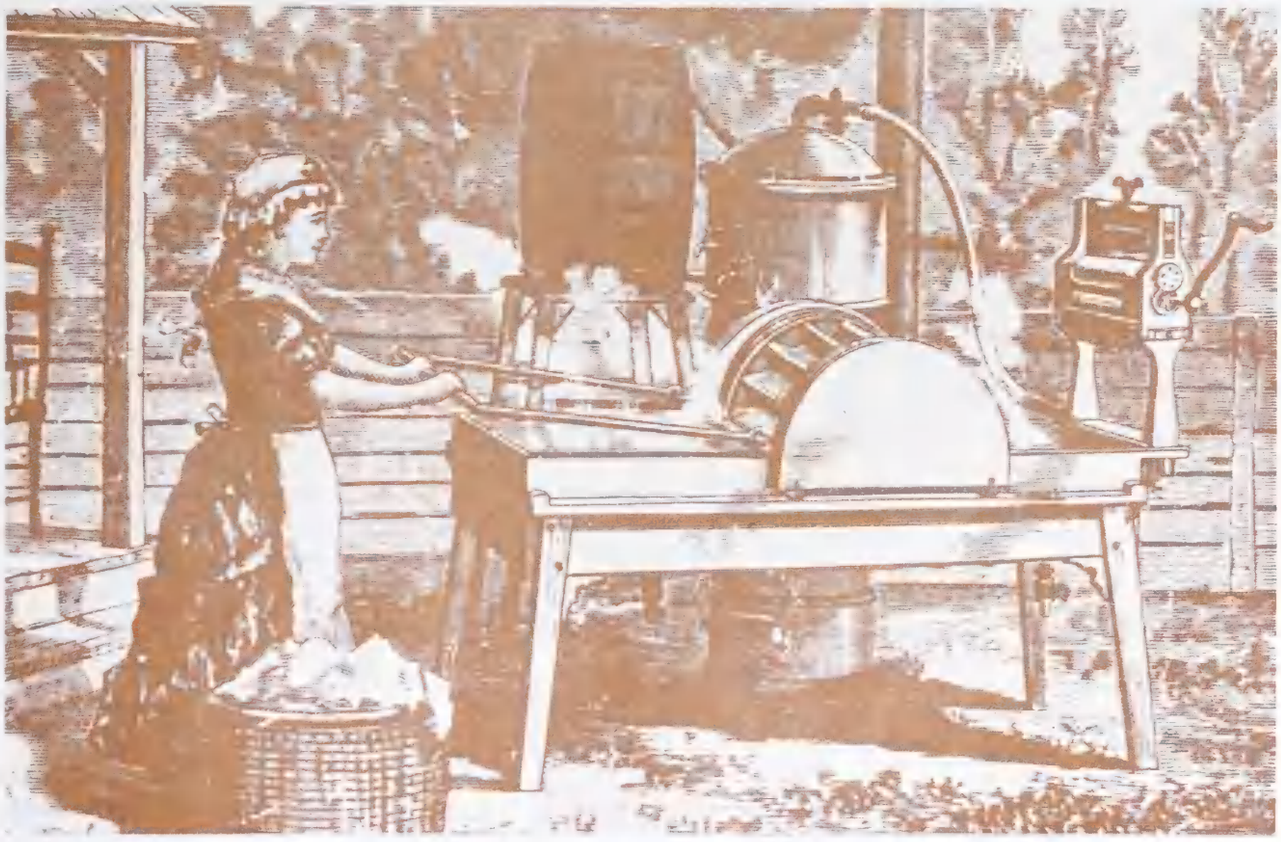
The most automatic washers are those programmed to handle a variety of fabrics. At the mere touch of a button or turn of a dial, computerized controls take over. The proper water temperatures for wash and rinse cycles, the ideal agitation, the correct spin speeds—all are selected automatically according to the particular fabric load (General Electric and Maytag).

Deluxe dryers offer a selection that covers damp dry, normal dry, air fluff, and permanent press. An electric sensing unit feels the moisture of a given load and automatically shuts off the machine at the proper time, signalling with a bell or buzzer.

There is no point in "dryer ironing" unless articles are removed at the end of a cycle, and one recent development is the dryer that not only signals the completion of the permanent-press drying cycle, but automatically restarts every five minutes, fluffing the contents for ten seconds, to guard against rewrinkling (Sears Roebuck and Whirlpool).

A significant new development is Hotpoint's washer-within-a-washer. Called the "Duo-Load," this machine washes two separate loads at the same time. A second tub fits over the agitator *(Continued on page 163)*

THE BETTMANN ARCHIVE





CULVER PICTURES INC

Early movie star Pauline Frederick in Hollywood's 1920 version of the ultimate comfort

ULTIMATE INDOOR COMFORT

By JOHN H. INGERSOLL

Imagine your home pleasantly cool in summer,
comfortably warm in winter,
never too dry, and virtually dustless at all times.
Today, a single package of marvelously engineered mechanical
equipment—or parts of it—can produce these
atmospheric conditions in
your home-to-be-built, or the house you presently own

Scene: a tree-lined street in a suburb somewhere in the United States. A chill rain is falling. Five miles west, sulphur-streaked, gray smoke billows from stacks high above an industrial plant. The smoke slowly spreads out in the rain—heavy, misty, silent. To the north, a four-engine jet thunders off its runway, gains altitude, and banks directly overhead. A pungent odor drifts into the neighborhood from a tannery across the river.

Inside a large house nearby is an atmosphere as exhilarating as a cool day with warm sun: as peaceful, clean, and sweet-smelling as a spring morning on an Iowa farm.

In a house on an adjoining property a three-year-old playing on the living-room floor shivers slightly. A cold draft rustles the paper he's coloring. In the kitchen, his mother wipes away from the window sill a thin layer of soot, and strains to hear the radio weather report as the jet roars overhead.

The difference inside these two houses lies in new mechanical equipment, readily available today. It is practical, and relatively economical.

Man has, for some time, known how to control the atmosphere within an enclosed space. (The research on producing a controlled atmosphere began before the first U.S. space flights in 1958.) About a decade ago, two or three companies translated this knowledge into functional equipment for the home. Now, within the past several years, nearly every major manufacturer of heating and air-conditioning systems has developed what's come to be called a "total comfort" package. This incorporates a warm-air heating furnace, central air conditioning, power humidification, and an electronic air cleaner.

Ideally, the mechanics of such a system work out best when planned for a new home. But a contractor can add "total comfort" to a house whether you have only a warm-air heating system: combined heating and air conditioning: hydronic (hot-water) heat, or electric heat. In short, to any existing house. Costs will vary, of course. More about that below.

What does all this equipment really do for you? "It made me forget that it was there," said a homeowner in Saddle River, New Jersey. "Once our total comfort system was in and adjusted, we were no longer too hot, too parched, too cold, or too anything. Complaining to the heating

dealer is a thought that hasn't occurred to me once. We kick off our shoes in winter, and our feet don't get cold. Our two teen-age sons wrestle in the family room and never kick up any dust. We feel better now, and it seems to me we're healthier."

A reaction like this isn't at all unusual. And yet, you shouldn't assume that the equipment, on its own, will transform your house into a haven of comfort. A good installation, with properly sized ducts, and dampers balanced professionally, is every bit as important as the units themselves. Since there are few ways you can distinguish a good job from a bad one until *after* the equipment is in, you need to approach total comfort just as you would any other major change in your home. Know who your contractor is. Learn about his work from past customers. Get at least two bids and compare what each firm offers.

To understand more clearly what such a system will accomplish in toto, take a look now at its parts. Newest addition to the group is the electronic air cleaner. In a real sense, this could be your personal answer to the problem of public air pollution, a condition which may get worse before it ever gets better. One doctor, concerned with respiratory diseases, has strong opinions on the subject. He is Manuel J. Rowen, M.D., F.A.C.P., of Elizabeth, New Jersey. In a letter to Minneapolis Honeywell, a leading manufacturer of air cleaners, he says:

"The subject of air pollution is becoming more of a political football from day to day. Interested parties have belabored the subject, but no appreciable concrete improvement has occurred. It is obvious from my point of view that such improvement will have to come from the individual rather than from the political system. It probably will be many years before effective measures are taken by the public health service to eradicate or greatly diminish the menace in our air. Therefore, the only protection for the individual is in the use of devices that purify the air in his home, his car, and even while walking."

Comparing the effectiveness of an electronic air cleaner to the ordinary filter in your heating or air-conditioning duct is like pitting a cheesecloth fruit strainer against a baseball backstop. In a standard atmospheric dust test, the fiber filter normally found in a warm-air or air-conditioning system removes from five to ten percent of the tiny particles floating in our air. In the same test, an electronic air cleaner normally takes out between 80 and 90 percent of airborne dust—and, important to allergy sufferers, up to 99 percent of the pollen. The electronic unit will remove particles as small as 1 10th of a micron. How big is that? Think down from the diameter of the dot on this "i," which measures 397 microns.

For electrical buffs, here's how the cleaner works. Dirty air passes first through a mechanical screen, which separates out the larger particles, such as lint. Then the dust passes across a fence of super-thin wires given a high-voltage, direct-current charge. These ionizing wires set up a powerful electrical field, which in turn imparts a strong positive charge to the particles. The tiny specks of dirt pass on to a set of metal plates charged with alternating current, plus and minus. The positively charged dust literally slams against the negative plates, and remains there until the plates are washed.

Who does the washing? Many people wash their own. They remove the dirt-collecting cell, soak it in hot water and a strong detergent (an automatic dishwasher detergent, for example), and thoroughly rinse it. A washing once every three to six months is normally enough. In cities where air pollution is serious, more frequent washings are required.

On most units, the cell signals when it's dirty. A red "flag" pops up behind glass on an indicator mounted on the cleaner. This gauge also can be installed remotely, with a thermostat, for example.

For an additional fee, some dealers offer to include periodic cell washing in their regular service contract. Or you might want to pay from $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ more and buy an automatically water-washed air cleaner. There are two types. One unit signals when the cell is dirty: you respond by pushing a button on the cleaner housing. Another, slightly more expensive style, automatically goes into action when the cell signals.

An electronic air cleaner is also called an electrostatic precipitator. Do not, however, confuse this unit with electrostatic filters. Such filters aren't electric. They contain shredded polystyrene, which holds random static electrical charges. Tests indicate that they remove from 15 to 20 percent of the atmospheric dust, better than the 5 to 10 percent stopped by fiber filters, but a long way from 90 percent effectiveness achieved by electronic units.

Perhaps the best way to know you're buying the right cleaner is the price. The smallest electronic air cleaner—a manual unit—would cost, installed, somewhere between $300 and $350, depending on brand and the problems of putting it in. Such a unit would handle around 1,000 cubic feet per minute, enough to clean the air in a home with up to 1,500 square feet.

A 2,200 CFM cleaner, sufficient for a home with 2,500 square feet, might cost between $400 and $500, installed. Water-washed cleaners begin at around $500 and go up to about $1,700, a price that would include completely automatic operation.

Several manufacturers also make console models. These begin at around $200, and effectively clean the air in whatever room they're placed. One St. Louis resident, who bought a unit for his living room, said, "Our air cleaner does a good job of removing tobacco smoke when we have a party. But I really appreciate it the next morning when I come downstairs to a room with no stale odor lingering in the air."

Just how much does an electronic air cleaner help relieve allergy sufferers? Apparently it's a boon, but only for people who are allergic to airborne particles. One indication is the fact that a number of doctors are recommending installation of electronic air cleaners for their patients to relieve allergic symptoms and other respiratory ailments, such as asthma. Not cure, but relieve. And good tax news. If your doctor does prescribe a cleaner for your home, the cost of it is deductible from your income taxes as a medical expense.

There is a more everyday advantage to owning an air cleaner: cleanliness. You can imagine that when great quantities of dust and dirt are taken from the air, less will settle out on your furniture, walls, and floors. Enough less that the energy and expense you spend on cleaning will shrink dramatically.

Must you have an air moving system for a permanently installed air cleaner? Yes. It's installed most often in a ducted warm-air heating and air-conditioning system. *(Continued on page 164)*

By HARRIET MORRISON



Egyptian chairs, circa 1400 B.C. were heavily carved, as shown in this copy of a design made for the Princess Sitamon of the 13th dynasty. Markings on the back represent protective spirits. The rectangular back was typical. Copy is from The Baker Furniture Museum.



Sturdy Renaissance chair with throne-like shape is attributed to 16th-century Italian craftsmen. Decorative moldings and turned legs were standard elements of the period. Walnut design from the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Gift of George Blumenthal.



Child's chair, 17th-century Engla has the twisted columns and scro motifs of the Baroque style in vo for everyday furniture at the time Use of caning reflected trade wit the East. The whole is painted an gilded. Metropolitan Museum of

PLEASE BE SEATED

Will another century find us inhabiting form-fitting, molded cubicles in the image of space craft? Will a jet airplane seat, now the model for at-home designs, be a collector's piece 100 years from now? The exhibition, "Please Be Seated," organized by the American Federation of Arts and the Smithsonian Institution, raises these questions. Through dozens of examples, it reviews the fascinating history of the chair, from Ancient Greece to the space capsule. The exhibition, from which we show only eleven examples, is currently on view through March 17 at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

For other cities and dates, page 180



A classic of the 20th Century. Architect Mies van der Rohe's chrome-plated steel frame with tufted leather cushions created originally for the German Pavilion at the Barcelona Exposition, 1929. The design is a favorite now, 40 years later. Knoll Associates.



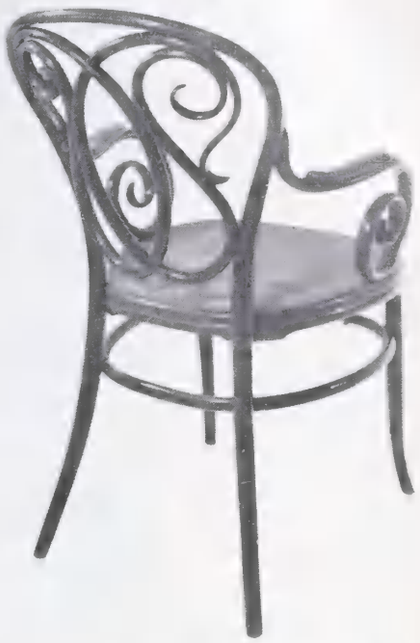
Molded chair by Charles Eames. I marked the beginning of form-fi shapes in wood and plastics. Ply seat, back, and supporting structu are held together with rubber disc and glue, a technique borrowed aircraft. Baker Furniture Museum



chitect Robert Adam, cred-
he neo-classic revival in
th Century, preferred del-
eighty proportions. Round
eg of this chair, circa 1790.
The Metropolitan Museum of
of Bernard M. Baruch.



A favorite in the Victorian era, the rococo chair inspired by Louis XV. This rosewood charmer attributed to John Henry Belter, circa 1850. The style reached a peak of popularity in the late 19th Century, fell out of favor in the 20th. Brooklyn Museum.



Bentwood armchair, circa 1860, was a technical achievement for Thonet, one of the first industrialists to mass-produce inexpensive furniture. The style originally won fame as a café chair, is undergoing a strong revival in this century. Thonet Industries.



hair by Eero Saarinen, with
at of plastic reinforced with
, was a triumph of flowing
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st in all-of-a-piece forms.
balanced base and stem are
uminum. Knoll Associates.



Another version of a pedestal is this welded and plated steel-wire armchair by Warren Platner, 1965. The design suggests a relationship between contemporary metal sculpture and chairs. The base is a graceful cylinder of see-through wire stalks. Knoll Associates.



An astronaut's contour chair now replace the pilot's seat as the focus of attention. This is the seat in which Colonel John H. Glenn, Jr., trained for his historic 1962 flight. Molded seat from the Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution.



"A Tea Party in the Time of George I" by an unknown English painter. Bettmann Archive.

THE PERSISTENCE OF SILVER

By SUE NIRENBERG

Silver. That lovely, pale, light-catching metal with its warm, luminous glow—all grace and graciousness, romance and tradition—is, it might astonish you to know, a "hard commodity." The price of silver per ounce—announced around noon every day—changes daily and, like all else, is zooming upward and onward. The purchase of sterling silver, old or new, aside from all other intangibles of marvelous design and taste, is a sound investment. A worthy investment. Not, mind you, that any silver enthusiast—dealer, collector, salesman, or manufacturer—would urge you to buy sterling *solely* as an investment. Buy it because you love it. While the price of silver and the beautiful sterling pieces made from it—like Pollocks, Picassos, land, and diamonds—seem to appreciate with the years, who can predict the turn of events?

Sterling is 925 parts pure silver to 75 parts of an alloy for hardness—usually copper. For all its glow and grace and flattery to any table, silver is the precious metal with *intrinsic value per ounce*. What a cold and calculating thing to say about the timeless symbol of taste and continuity and character. Character! Not *a* "character," which implies eccentricity, but real character—moral firmness, integrity, and self-control. (Does anyone hear, or care, about *that* anymore?) In our civilization where the trend is toward the disposable and quickly changeable, sterling is still, as always, an emotional stabilizer, the great constant.

Constant, certainly, but functional, ornamental, and adaptable—more so than gold which, though far more precious (about $40 an ounce compared to silver at $2-$3 an ounce) is so weighty that it is scarcely useful for anything besides jewelry and fillings. Sterling does not deteriorate with use. Can you say that about any other *thing?* (It was never meant to be hidden away in a closet, literally cloistered while waiting to show its shining face at some splendid social event.) The almost imperceptible surface scratches that catch the light only enhance its beauty. Sterling can be bent, dented, melted, stamped, cast, engraved, and oxidized. In the jet age of frequent travel and family mobility, silver is the portable treasure that says "we're home."

The mysterious, musical language of silver—strange and unfamiliar words describe its myriad shapes and styles and objects that reflect the life of past generations. The *marrow* spoon. Whatever was that for? Why, obviously, to remove the delicious marrow from the bone. And the *snuffboxes, patchboxes, caudel cups, porringers, baptismal basins.* Handed down—and well received—from generation to generation. Consider, in contrast, today's sil-

ver frivolities: a staple-and-dry-cleaning-tag remover. All kinds of pillboxes. A two-color ball-point pen. A key, of all things, for squeezing the contents out of tubes! Will these contemporary glitterings, we wonder, ever be handed down from mother to daughter, from father to son? Hundreds of years from now, will *they* fascinate a silver collector? Will such curios ever bring thousands of dollars at auction? Three months ago a pair of 17th-century silver tankards brought a record price of $134,400, proving how rarity accounts for value in the market today.

The stories of silver, legend and fact, have no end. The articles found tell us much about man's past, about America's past. In Colonial America, for instance, one is amazed at the emphasis on silver. There was hard work to be done in this pioneer country—why the frivolity of silver?

Ah, the money! There were no banks, no stable currency, no international exchange. The Boston mint established in 1652 was abandoned 36 years later. The cities were inundated with unreliable foreign coin. There was no protoction against theft, the greatest reported crime in Colonial days. Merchants gave up banking in Europe since piracy on the high seas was a sign of the times. In such a murky economy, silver was the most dependable way to save and, ever important, a status symbol.

The wealthy merchant took his bag of coins to his silversmith —a man noted for great character and spirit—and commissioned him to refashion the coins into household articles of use. Identifiable by shape, inscription, and craftsmen's marks, they were a safeguard against theft.

General George Washington, an honest man with an eye on the dollar, kept voluminous household records. Not a word from the lady of the house. A man of thrift, he sent to England for his early silver, but later had a change of heart. "I do not incline" (he said in one of his letters) "to send to England (from whence formerly I had all my goods) for anything I can get upon tolerable terms Elsewhere."

There is no record that he had his household silver melted down and turned into coin The story that his army gave him twelve cups and he melted down eleven of them, keeping the twelfth for sentiment, is delightful and quite a spoof on the old general but, like the cherry tree story and the beds he slept in, undocumented. Pursuing the tale we found that he ordered a set of twelve silver "camp cups" from a Philadelphia silversmith. He supplied the silversmith with 16 silver dollars to make the cups—the coins, probably, were from Portugal or Brazil. As it turned out, there were more ounces of silver in the 16 dollars than the silversmith needed for the twelve cups. Washington pocketed the change for his own use and credited their value against the charge for workmanship.

From our earliest days silver has been linked to hospitality. Tea, coffee, and chocolate, when first introduced in the 17th Century, were considered exotic. When America and Europe became accustomed to these drinks and the aura faded, they were sociable drinks to be had in coffee houses here and abroad. Soon the tea hour in the home became a ritual.

Those were the simple days when coffee and tea services were appropriately simple in design. In later decades, silver design reflected the influences of the day—the highs and lows following the storm of the Civil War, the fluctuating prices of imported silver, and the discovery of the Comstock Lode in Nevada in 1857 that in one year changed the American output from 116,019 ounces of silver to 1,546,920 ounces. Glittering New York and Philadelphia society began to order solid-silver services.

In wild contrast to the grace and simplicity of Colonial silver, a period of exuberant ostentation set in. Teapots were imposing and, seen through our eyes today, grotesquely fanciful. The better families—the real cream of society and those who hoped to become so—ordered silver sets containing one thousand pieces. It was not uncommon, and quite practical if you think about it, to have one teapot for the right hand and one for the left. Silver wedding presents became—and were to remain—*de rigueur*.

The presentation of a piece of silver as an award for some courageous act, or kindness, or simply as a sentiment, is always an event. A great historic event, or even a minor personal event, is of importance. Paul Revere's famous punch bowl—the most historic piece of American silver—was commissioned in 1768 by the "Sons of Liberty." This inscription, patriotic and serious in purpose, is engraved around its surface:

> "To the Memory of the glorious Ninety-Two: Members of the Honorable House of Representatives of the Massachusetts Bay, who, undaunted by the insolent Menaces of Villains in Power, from a strict regard to Conscience and the Liberties of their Constituents on the 30th of June 1768, Voted Not to Rescind."

Far less lofty, more informal, but curious in their own way are the small silver boxes or urns presented to a distinguished visitor. Students to a teacher. Parishioners to their pastor. From passengers to their captain "for assiduous attention" and "in gratitude of safe passage." Oh, the "bequeathings" and "descended froms" and "gratitude for services rendereds."

On one charming little silver box—this from a collection of English silver—is a round piece of glass. Under the glass, a wisp of Beethoven's hair! The inscription: "Beethoven's War—1827. C.M." What does it mean?

And on the bottom of an 18th-century salt cellar. "Elizabeth is ten." Was this given to Elizabeth herself on her tenth birthday? Could she, more likely preferring dolls, be interested in a salt cellar? Again, on the bottom of another salt cellar, "Bardia has fallen." Who cared so deeply that the British had swept triumphantly into that Libyan city in January of 1941? Or was it *that* Bardia? And why the enigmatic demand on the tiniest box of all: "Forget not. C. Brown."?

Finally, the bride. The gift of silver goes back as far as the Golden Age of Greece when the bride's father endowed her with one-tenth of his possessions to make sure she had some independence of her own. Much of the dowry was the valuable family silver. The bride of the sixties is offered a staggering choice in design from Colonial simplicity to stark modern to rococo. Miniskirted and independent *without* benefit of dowry, she often chooses, paradoxically, the most lavishly ornamental flatware. Proof, and comfort, that tradition and continuity are not things of the past. ■



THE MIRACULOUS EGG

Someone once wrote that eggs are "the thread that holds the castle of cookery together." Without the miraculous egg, we would never have known ice cream or custard or Hollandaise or mayonnaise. You would never have plunged a silver fork into a snow-white angel cake, a silver spoon into a golden soufflé. The lemon pie with a skyscraper meringue would never have existed, and not one of us would have started a sunny day "sunny side up." The list of great eating that depends on the egg is endless. But more, the egg is a high-protein food, containing all the vitamins except C, being especially rich in vitamins A and D. Below, the basics of egg cookery. Some excellent recipes start overleaf. By HELEN McCULLY

8 BASIC WAYS TO COOK EGGS

1. How to soft-cook eggs

When eggs are cooked perfectly, the white is tender but solidified, and the hot yolk is semiliquid.

Cold-water method: Place the egg or eggs, straight from the refrigerator, in a saucepan deep enough to accommodate them without crowding. Add enough cold tap water to cover the eggs by at least a generous inch. Bring up to a boil (200° on a thermometer) uncovered over high heat. Take off the heat, cover, and allow to stand 1 to 3 minutes, depending on how firm you like the whites and yolks. This can best be determined by trial and error. Plunge the cooked eggs into cold water to stop the cooking and to make shelling easier.

Boiling-water method: Bring 5 to 6 cups of water to a high boil: there should be sufficient water to cover the eggs by at least an inch. With a spoon, gently lower each egg into the water, take the pan off the heat, cover, and allow to stand 6 to 8 minutes. Cool as above. *Note*: If the eggs are cold, hold them under the hot-water tap briefly to take off the refrigerator chill to forestall cracking, or pierce the large end with the point of a needle or pin.

2. Oeufs mollets

Pronounced "moelay," literally translated this means soft-boiled, but "tender eggs" sounds more appealing. One of the most delicious ways to eat an egg, the method is almost unknown in American homes. Eggs prepared this way have been described as "betwixt and between" because they are simmered longer than soft-cooked eggs but not as long as hard-cooked ones. In France, *oeufs mollets* are frequently served cold in clear aspic with salad greens and Sauce Vinaigrette, or hot on a bed of puréed spinach. Obviously, they may be served in any way suitable for poached eggs.

To cook oeufs mollets: Plunge eggs (they must be at room temperature) into a saucepan of boiling water deep enough so there is at least an inch of water above them. Cook, just below simmering, for 5½ to 6 minutes from the time the water comes to a boil again. Plunge immediately into cold water to keep eggs from cooking further, and shell (see page 159) when they are cool enough to handle.

3. How to hard-cook eggs

Cold-water method: Follow instructions for soft-cooked eggs to the point where the water begins to show signs of reaching a rolling boil (212° on a thermometer). Reduce heat to simmer (180° to 200°) and hold this temperature exactly 12 minutes. Plunge eggs into cold water at once to stop the cooking and to inhibit yolk discoloration.

Another way: When water reaches a rolling boil, take the pan off the heat and allow the eggs to stand 15 minutes.

Cool immediately, as above.

Boiling-water method: Follow same instructions as for soft-cooked eggs (boiling-water method, above), reducing heat so that water barely simmers, and cook for 20 minutes. Cool immediately, as above.

4. Scrambled eggs

Oeufs brouillés, in French. Almost everyone has his own method for scrambling eggs and each thinks his the right and proper one. Whatever the method, allow two eggs per person.

One method: Melt a good lump of butter (no liquid), add the eggs, and stir with a wooden spatula over very low heat until the eggs just start to

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The miraculous egg—some excellent recipes

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Oeufs à la Baumanière
[Poached Eggs and Seafood in Patty Shells]

6 frozen patty shells
1 cup ground cooked lobster or shrimp*
⅓ cup Sauce Crème (below)
6 poached eggs, page 159
½ recipe Hollandaise Sauce, below
¼ cup sour cream
⅓ cup grated Gruyère cheese

Bake the patty shells according to package directions. Keep hot. Work the lobster or shrimp through a food mill, or blend, a small amount at a time, in an electric blender until you have a smooth purée. Stir in the hot Sauce Crème. Spoon the mixture into the hot patty shells and arrange the shells on a baking sheet.

Place the neatly trimmed poached eggs on top of the purée. Combine the Hollandaise with the sour cream and spoon over the poached eggs. Sprinkle with the grated Gruyère. Place in a preheated broiler for 1 to 2 minutes or until the cheese has melted and the sauce has browned lightly. Watch sharply. Serves 6.

*The meat from a 1½-pound lobster, cooked, or 8 or 10 medium shrimp, cooked.

Sauce Crème. Melt 1 large tablespoon of butter in a medium-size, heavy saucepan. Stir in 1½ tablespoons of flour and cook for 2 or 3 minutes without browning. Stir in 1¼ cups hot milk, season with salt and pepper, and cook, whipping constantly with a wire whisk, until mixture has thickened lightly. Stir in ¼ cup heavy cream and a few drops of lemon juice. Any extra can be served with vegetables, fish, eggs or poultry.

Sauce Hollandaise

½ cup (1 stick) cold butter
3 egg yolks
Juice ½ lemon, about
Good pinch salt
White pepper

Slice the butter into four equal pieces. In the top of a double boiler, beat the yolks with a wire whisk until sticky. Add the lemon juice and one piece of the butter. Place over simmering water (do not allow water to touch the bottom of the top pan), and start to beat with wire whisk steadily and constantly until the butter has combined completely with the eggs and has thickened into a smooth cream. Add the second piece of butter. Again, whisk steadily until mixture has again thickened into a smooth cream. Continue with the remaining butter in the same manner. Stir in salt and pepper. Keep warm over hot, not boiling, water. *Not over direct heat.* Makes about one cup. Serve tepid.

Eggs in Aspic

Quick aspic, below
Fresh tarragon leaves
6 tender eggs (*Oeufs Mollets*, page 95), cooled
6 very thin slices of ham
Watercress

Pour a thin layer of liquid aspic into the bottom of 6 round or oval ½-cup metal molds or custard cups. Refrigerate until set.

Pour about 3 cups of the aspic into a bowl and chill until syrupy. Blanch the tarragon leaves in boiling water, then refresh in cold. Drain, dry, and chill. When cold, dip the leaves into the syrupy aspic and arrange them in a design on top of the set jelly in each mold. Chill just long enough to set the tarragon leaves.

Place one tender egg in each mold and cover with a slice of ham cut in a round or oval shape to fit. Carefully pour in enough of the almost-set jelly to fill the mold. Chill until the aspic is firm. Pour the remaining aspic into a flat pan to chill until firm. When firm, chop into tiny dice.

To serve, dip the bottom of each mold into hot water for 3 to 4 seconds. Run a knife around the edge of the jelly and turn upside down on a serving platter. If the egg doesn't drop out easily, give the mold a sharp tap.

Garnish with a bouquet of fresh watercress and a garland of the chopped aspic. Serve to 6 as an appetizer.

Quick aspic: Combine in a large heavy saucepan 3 cans (10½-ounce size) condensed chicken broth with ½ cup tomato juice, 4 envelopes unflavored gelatin, a big pinch of salt, several twists of the white peppermill, 1 teaspoon sugar, and 2 egg whites, lightly beaten. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly, over a low heat. When mixture reaches a boil, take off the heat and stir in 2 tablespoons Cognac. Strain through a fine sieve lined with several layers of cheesecloth wrung out in cold water. Make sure the strainer is well above the liquid. Makes about 4 cups.

Baked Eggs with Onions, French Style

½ cup (1 stick) butter
4 medium onions, thinly sliced
12 hard-cooked eggs, page 95
Salt
Freshly ground white pepper
3 tablespoons flour
2 cups light cream, heated
3 tablespoons grated Swiss or Parmesan cheese

Melt *4 tablespoons of the butter* in a large, heavy skillet; add the onions and *1 cup of water*. Bring to a boil, reduce heat to moderate, and cook until all the water has boiled away and the onions are tender and transparent. Add more water, if necessary.

Peel and slice the eggs rather thin. Generously butter a medium-size ovenproof serving dish, such as a soufflé mold. Make alternate layers of the eggs and onions, starting with eggs, sprinkling each layer with salt and pepper.

Heat *3 tablespoons of butter* in a saucepan. Stir in the flour and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, for 2 or 3 minutes. Do not allow to brown. Stir in the cream and cook, whipping constantly with a wire whisk, over moderate heat until the sauce has thickened—8 to 10 minutes.

Pour the sauce over the eggs and onions, sprinkle the top with grated cheese, and dot with bits of the remaining butter. Place in a preheated 400° oven just long enough for the top to turn golden and the casserole to heat through. A handsome and delicious luncheon or supper dish.

Eggs Vinaigrette

6 hard-cooked eggs, page 95
1 can (2-ounce size) anchovy fillets
Rich Vinaigrette

Halve the eggs lengthwise and place 2 anchovy fillets crosswise over each half. Arrange eggs on a serving dish; spoon the sauce over them. An interesting appetizer.

Rich Vinaigrette

1 egg yolk
2 tablespoons wine or tarragon vinegar
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1 tablespoon chopped shallots or green-onion bulbs
Salt
Freshly ground white pepper
¾ cup vegetable oil

Combine the egg yolk, vinegar, mustard, shallots, and salt and pepper to taste. Whip together for about one minute with a wire whisk. Add the oil very slowly, drop by drop, beating constantly. Also delicious with any kind of green salad.

Pickled Eggs and Beets

2 cans (1-pound-4-ounce size) baby beets
8 hard-cooked eggs, page 95
1 cup sugar
¾ cup cider vinegar
1½ tablespoons salt
¼ teaspoon freshly ground pepper
2 bay leaves
10 whole cloves

Drain the beets. Pour 1 cup of the beet liquid into a heavy saucepan. Discard the remainder. Place the whole beets and shelled eggs in a large bowl.

Bring the beet liquid with all remaining ingredients to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer for 5 minutes. Pour the hot pickling mixture over the beets and eggs. Cover securely with Saran or foil and refrigerate for a day or longer.

Eggs Hussarde

4 Holland rusks
4 thin slices ham, broiled
½ cup Marchand de Vins Sauce*
4 slices of tomato, broiled
4 soft poached eggs, page 159
Hollandaise Sauce, page 96
Paprika

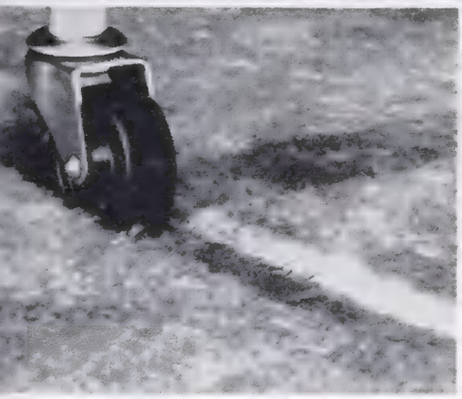
Place the rusks on a hot serving plate. Lay a slice of ham on each and cover with Marchand de Vins Sauce. Top with the broiled tomato slices and the poached eggs. Spoon Hollandaise over the eggs; sprinkle with paprika. Serves 2.

**Marchand de Vins Sauce*: Heat 2 tablespoons of butter in a small saucepan. Add 3 tablespoons minced shallots and cook until tender but not brown. Add ¾ cup dry red wine, and reduce the sauce, over a high heat, to half the original quantity. Stir in ¾ cup canned brown gravy, bring to a boil, and simmer for about 2 minutes. Taste for seasoning. Before serving, stir in 1 tablespoon of butter.

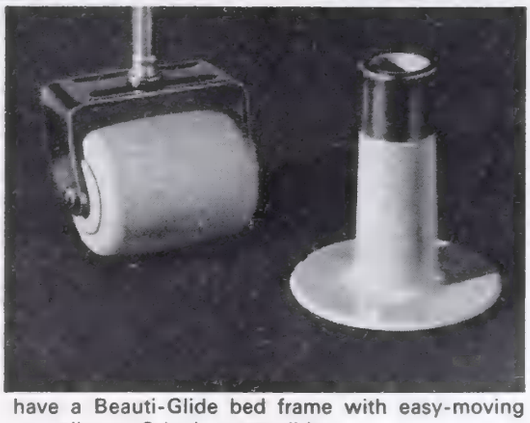
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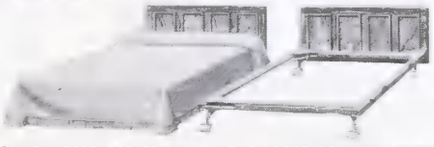
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The Host's Corner

The Pleasures of the

The extravagant bottle—the one you wouldn't normally buy, the one you feel is simply an indulgence, the best (or near best) in its class. Is it worth it? Or is it just for show? Will you know the difference? Or will you feel let down?

The truth is that most best-in-class bottles do have a special enjoyment to offer. But they should be approached with two words of caution. To appreciate them properly, you should have had considerable taste experience with the wine or spirit previously (i.e., a $25 Scotch will mean very little to a Bourbon drinker). And be sure to distinguish the fancy package from the true value of its contents. These notes will help you sort out one bottle from another and suggest when and how to drink them for the most enjoyment.

America's native spirit

First let's look at America's most popular native spirit, the drink that European visitors frequently admire so inordinately that they drink nothing else on this side of the Atlantic and even demand it when they return home—Bourbon. This great whiskey has now been defined as an original and exclusively American product, protected by law.

But, as you must have discovered, there's Bourbon and Bourbon. Everyone knows about bonded Bourbons; they have to be 100-proof and tend to be above average in quality. Not everyone knows there are also some very old and rather rare Bourbons made by major distillers. Four of these, ranging from 12 to 20 years in age and from about $9 to $15 in price are Beam's Royal Reserve, Dowling Deluxe, Old Hickory, and Very Very Old Fitzgerald. These are all fine whiskeys, and if you're a Bourbon drinker, your own taste will decide which of them is your special, personal favorite.

On its label Old Fitzgerald tells what years the whiskey was barreled, then bottled (my bottle says 1955 and 1967). It confides, in addition, that V.V.O. Fitz is known in the family as "Mr. Van's Very Own," Van Winkle being the proprietor's name. Beam has the most elegant bottle, a flat decanter with a block-of-wood stopper. Dowling numbers its bottles, which have com the market only this winter. report that the president of company decided to distri this costly 14-year-old Bou when one of his dinner g asked for a well-known 12- old Scotch. He wanted to be to serve his guests something er and more costly. Dowling luxe is the result.

Sample and compare

Each of these premium B bons reaches for a slightly di ent flavor, and you can san and compare, seeing if you tell them apart in a blind tast My friends tend to look at t age respectfully and ask if ought to drink them in bra snifters. I don't think so. W Bourbon ages, it doesn't bec more delicate, as brandy doe grows richer, bigger, and n intense in flavor. But smoothe the same time, and easier drink. Worth taking time and thinking about. If you fer the lighter and lighter w kies that dominate today's dri ing, you might as well save y money. These old Bourbons for people who admire big w kies. A little goes a long way. I wouldn't try to inhale them drink them neat unless you used to drinking other whis that way. Diluted at least h and-half with cold water, a with ice if you like, they mak memorable drink, a way to c brate your good fortunes in and to honor your guests in special way.

Scotch ages like Bourbon, coming stronger in taste. And their premium Scotches, wh they plan to age, the distill select especially flavorful wh kies, with more of the inte single-malt types blended They don't tell their secrets. your taste will tell you that Scotch is full-bodied. Well-ag and expensive Scotch has lo been more widely available th old Bourbon. It also varies mu more in price. Most of the year-olds, both blended and s gle-malt whiskies, such as Smit Glenlivet, cost about $9 or $ The 18- to 30-year-olds range price from $10.60 to $25. In ma instances you can move up fr your regular brand (of unspe fied age or perhaps eight ye

By William Clifford

Extravagant Bottle

to the same distiller's much whiskey—examples include assador, Bell's, Ballantine's, ts's, and J & B—with the rtunity to compare the costly ger to the taste you already . The least costly of these Scotches, White & Mackay's ar-old, seems to me an exonally good buy at $10.60. ntine offers a 30-year-old h at about $16.50.

ly carafes

you buy spirits in a decanyou should realize how much re paying for packaging. Fine fes are available with a numof Cognacs, but the container cost you more than the con-. And sometimes a distiller's t Cognac is not what he puts ie crystal carafe (though he never put in less than VSOP ity). For example, Bisquit oléon costs about $13.50 in a n bottle, but $45 in a decanter. ill finer Bisquit Cognac, their a, costs $22.50. Hennessy of- a $10.40 VSOP (a *grande Champagne*, and a good): in a Baccarat decanter it s $39.50. If you want Hen-y's best, you pay $41.50 for ra in a decanter-shape glass a very fine box, but still 90 ent of the price goes for the dy. Other major firms such Hine, Martell, and Otard also crystal decanters, as does ny Martin, whose Louis XIII the price list at $65.

here's no need to buy crystal et fine Cognac, nor is there need to pay the premium for tra" unless you're a supernoisseur. The dividing line ly comes between the young-Cognacs, often labeled with e stars, and the VSOP qual-For only a couple of dollars e than the minimum you get a nore in age and finesse. VSOP he Cognac to enjoy in brandy ters, warming the glass in the m of your hand and filling r head with the fumes before touch the liquid to your lips. more you pay, the older it is ly to be and the smoother and er on your tongue, up to a nt. But there are many fine les, many Cognacs that will s the test of leaving the glass a lovely aroma hours after it been emptied, at relatively lest prices. For example, nce Hubert de Polignac offers a VSOP *fine champagne* at just over $9.

As a connoisseur of extravagant bottles, you'll want to know something about certain alternatives to Cognac for sophisticated after-dinner drinking. The first of these are the marvelously intense *eaux de vie* or fruit brandies that the French call *alcools blancs*. Kirsch, Framboise, Mirabelle, and Quetsch from Alsace, and William Pear from Switzerland —are these tall pale bottles of colorless liquid worth the $10 to $15 they cost? There's no doubt they are, as you may well appreciate at the end of a long dinner party, when a tiny sip from an iced glass strikes exactly the right note—strong, sharp, with the essence of fruit flavor but without a trace of sweetness, reviving the palate and the mind. Any of these also make an elegant addition to a fresh fruit cup, if you can bring yourself to part with a few drops for this purpose.

Among other popular after-dinner bottles are the two herb-flavored classics, Chartreuse and Bénédictine. They are both made from secret formulas, spicy and aromatic, and very comforting with the demitasse. You drink so little of them in one serving that they're not really costly bottles to maintain in your liquor closet. Only a sip opens the whole cabinet of medieval alchemy.

Sweet cordials

For frankly sweet drinks on the dessert level, there are the dazzlingly colored cordials. The favorite in America is Green Crème de Menthe, while Europeans lean toward Anisette, with at least 20 more lying in wait for the collector. The fact that these are sweet enough to substitute for dessert rather than just follow it is attested to by their appearance on table d'hôte menus as a dessert choice. If you can use a Delft jug, Bols will sell you Dutch-made Crème de Menthe or Cacao or Blackberry Liqueur in this attractive ceramic. At lower cost, you can buy half again as much of the Dutch liqueur in regular bottles, and for even less you can buy Bols' American-made equivalents. American liqueurs can be very good; other European distillers who have set up production here include Cointreau and

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The pleasures of the extravagant bottle

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Garnier of France. Because liqueurs generally last a long time and you enjoy having a choice of them, the multi-compartment glass bottles make good sense, although the price is a little high because of the special bottle.

Beauty and subtlety

A few wines come in extraordinary bottles, but for the most part, wine connoisseurs are more interested in the contents. Among the extravagant wines in ordinary bottles, the great first growths of Bordeaux seem to be in a class by themselves. The beauties and subtleties of these make them among the most expensive red wines in the world. And they are the best, or certainly among the best. But even the experts in Bordeaux frequently question their worth and their price in relation to the other classified growths. A wealthy Texan recently remarked that he found his taste and his needs satisfied by ample stocks of the first growths in their best years, and he didn't bother much about other wines. So many seem to feel that way, whether because of actual taste or because we feel secure buying big names at high prices, that these wines sell for more and more money each good vintage year. Some 80 percent of the production of Château Lafite-Rothschild, the costliest of them all, comes to America. We want to feel sure we're getting the best, and we've got the resources to pay for it.

But enjoying the finest wine involves more than the ability to pay for it. As wine lovers know, you don't just drink it down like a Coke. You have a more complex relationship with it. You select it and store it and handle it with utmost care. You savor each glass, judging it and comparing it. All this may sound forbidding to the novice, but it's a real part of the total enjoyment, and the experience of the great wine should be postponed until you are ready to become this involved.

The composition of wine is so complex that scientists are only now beginning to break it down. According to a new report, wine contains a dozen or so alcohols, as many organic acids, 20 or so minerals, seven or eight sugars, gums and pectins, a dozen or so vitamins, 150 substances which give it bouquet, and about 50 phenols (resins). With all these possible variations, is it any wonder no two wines are completely alike? Part of the fun of wine drinking lies in the challenge of new experience and in the endless possible variety of experiences. Wordsworth noted that every truly original writer must create the taste for his work. So, I believe, must every notable wine condition your taste for it.

Of course, you can do a fair amount of investigating subtleties merely in comparing different vintages of one wine, say Château Latour or Mouton-Rothschild. You can taste the 1955's and 1957's and 1959's today (if you are lucky enough to have that sort of cellar), and compare them to the way you remember them from last year. But I think the real connoisseur wants more than this, and I think the person in search of good value can find more. Consider for example another fine wine from Bordeaux, Château Cantemerle. It was classified in 1855 as a fifth growth, but it has been so consistently good in our lifetime that many experts, including Alexis Lichine, rank it second. No classified wine of Bordeaux, especially of this quality, is overlooked or inexpensive, but today you can buy the great 1964 and fabulous 1961 Cantemerles for just over half what you pay for Margaux and Haut-Brion of the same years. If you find a wine like this that interests you as much as the big names, and at a considerably lower price, it's then that I think you become not just a person lucky enough to afford such pleasures, but a connoisseur of the extravagant bottle.

German wines

There's a white wine, too, that you can spend a great deal of money on—the fabled German Trockenbeerenauslese. A way to begin learning abou man wines is to taste a wines from one vineyard i vintage year side by side. will probably be Natur, Spi and Auslese, in increasing of sweetness and cost. You not like the sweetest best, at not to drink with your d and if this is the case y learned something to save money. On up in the Ge stratosphere are wines called wein, Beerenauslese, and Tro beerenauslese. These are sweet, and they are so difficu make that you will pay mor some of them than for any wine on earth—up to $90 a tle, in a recent New York tailer's list. This was a Wehlener Sonnenuhr Tro beerenauslese made by Jo Josef Prüm, and the catalog it would provide "one of the dramatic taste experiences a able to wine connoisseurs." haps it should be, at roughl an ounce. But if ever the "essence" can be appropri applied to a drink, it can be —one shy drop per grape is to be all they can press these dried berries. You'll to decide for yourself whe it's worth the tariff.

The best things in life aren't

Thoreau once said that richest man was the one wh pleasures were the cheapest. I suppose in a way he was ri But Bea Lillie was also right another way, when she said, innocent and total convict that the best things in life are most expensive. Some of th extravagant bottles will certa bring you many times the p sure of their humbler cousins

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he miraculous egg

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rned Beef Hash with Eggs

an (1-pound size) corned beef hash
teaspoon salt
sh freshly ground pepper
tablespoon catsup
small onion, peeled and minced
eggs

ace the hash in a mixing bowl d break it up with a fork. Mix remaining ingredients *except eggs* and pack into an 8-inch illet. With the back of a spoon, ape 4 hollows in the hash, each st large enough to hold an egg. ook over low heat for about 10 nutes. Then carefully drop an g into each hollow. Cover the n tightly and continue cooking to 8 minutes or until the eggs e cooked as you like them. Cat- p with a dollop of Worces- rshire sauce is good with this.

eorge Lazarnick's hipped Beef with Eggs

noked beef, sliced very thin eggs
abasco
tablespoons butter

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Break the eggs into a bowl, add ree or four drops of Tabasco nd *4 tablespoons of water*. Set side.

Melt the butter in a heavy skil- t. Beat the egg mixture furious- , then add to the hot butter. ay the slices of beef on top—be enerous here—and cook over a entle heat, tipping the pan as e eggs cook. When eggs are *al- ost* firm, place the pan in a pre- eated broiler for a minute or vo.

ried Eggs with our Cream Sauce

2 eggs
cup sour cream
tablespoon white wine vinegar
tablespoons minced green onions
alt and freshly ground pepper

llow two per person. Fry the ggs (page 159) on both sides in utter or bacon fat. Arrange on arm serving plates or on a latter. Combine the sour cream with the wine vinegar, green onions, and salt and pepper to taste. Spoon over the eggs. Serve with mashed potatoes.

Camille Glenn's Cheese and Sour Cream Soufflé*

Butter
½ cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1½ cups commercial sour cream
½ cup sifted flour
5 eggs, separated
2 extra egg whites
1 generous teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon cayenne pepper
2 tablespoons chopped chives

Butter a 2-quart soufflé dish. Coat with Parmesan and refrigerate.

Pour the sour cream into a roomy bowl. Sift the flour into the cream and thoroughly whip together with a wire whisk. Add the yolks one at a time, whipping briskly after each addition. Then stir in the salt, cayenne, chives, and the remaining cheese.

Beat the egg whites until they hold firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up. Fold into the yolk mixture gently with a rubber spatula. Place in a preheated 350° oven and bake for 30 to 35 minutes. Delicious with a big green salad tossed in Sauce Vinaigrette, page 96.

*Mrs. Glenn, a Kentuckian to her fingertips who cooks, however, mostly in French, writes a distinguished food column every Thursday for *The Courier-Journal-Louisville Times*. Never one to sit around with idle hands, she also heads Camille Glenn's School of Gourmet Cooking in Louisville.

Oeufs à la Chimay
[Eggs with Sauce Mornay]

6 hard-cooked eggs, page 95
5 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 tablespoon minced onions
¼ pound fresh button mushrooms, minced
2 tablespoons tomato purée
Several sprigs parsley, minced
½ teaspoon salt
Freshly ground white pepper
Sauce Mornay*

Cut the hard-cooked eggs lengthwise into halves. Lift the yolks out carefully, so as not to break the whites. Mash the yolks together with *4 tablespoons of the butter*, softened. Melt the remaining butter in a skillet, add the

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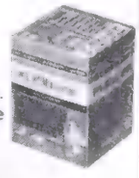


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The best land values

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in an unzoned neighborhood, unless you buy such a big piece of land you will be protected from what goes on around you. Anything can happen on unzoned land: stores, gas stations, factories, trailer parks, or other detractions. Unzoned land even several blocks away could hurt you. You can get facts about zoning from the local courthouse.

What about taxes and future assessments?

Taxes are rising in most areas. Find out what real estate taxes are on the lot you propose to buy and also assessment rates on houses in the same area. Even though your house is not built, you can learn what taxes will be on houses of different values. Inquire about special assessments. If the developer of your lot paid for sewer and water with a special bond issue, there may be future assessments to be paid by lot owners. In some new communities lot owners help pay the cost of swimming pools, clubhouses, and other recreation facilities. Usually the costs are worth the money, but you should find out about them.

How do you judge a lot from a building point of view?

If you think you will have site problems, ask an architect or a builder to visit the lot with you. They can see ways to solve problems that might not occur to you. For example, you might have drainage problems, or it might be expensive to build a driveway. Or they might point out the best ways to use hillside land or how to get more privacy from adjacent houses.

What are the dangers of buying in a development with promised but nonexisting improvements?

Some of the best lots for sale are in well-planned, well-developed new communities. But in many new communities you buy on faith. The developer promises to install certain facilities and make certain improvements. In effect, he also promises that the entire community will look as handsome as the sample area he has developed first. If all goes well, he will make good on his promises. But if sales are slow, or if mortgage money gets tight, the developer may not have enough cash to build all his promised facilities. Or what he promises to do in two years may require five years or more.

To be on the safe side, investigate the reputation of the developer. What land has he developed before and has he fulfilled his promises? Is there any chance he might go bankrupt? What is his reputation with local bankers, the planning board, and the Better Business Bureau? If you buy early in a new development, you will get the lowest price on lots, as prices generally go up when a new project begins to sell well. But if you wait, you are more certain of community facilities.

Are there special considerations in buying vacation-home property?

Yes. In vacation areas the facilities are usually not installed when the first lots are sold. A future lake may be under construction but may take years to fill up. Utilities are not in, and information about wells and septic tanks is vague. There are often no deed restrictions about the size or type of house your neighbors may build, and perhaps mobile homes are permitted. Some vacation areas take years to develop, and houses are spotted in a random pattern that hurts property values. Beware of high-pressure selling methods. Often, high-pressure selling organizations put on an enormous burst of selling for two or three years, then dump all the remaining lots on a local real estate firm for almost nothing. As a result, lot prices go down and all values suffer.

Another hazard is that in many resort communities it is almost impossible to find a good local builder or, if there is one, he is too busy to take on another house. One reason so many resort lot owners never build their houses is that they cannot find a builder, and another is that the location is so far from civilization that labor and materials are too high to be practical. However, there is one bright note: New resort communities are being built every year, so the supply of vacation lots is actually increasing. Here, more than ever, you should investigate carefully, since you may be far from your home grounds.

Should you pay cash for land or buy on time?

Before paying all cash for a lot, compute the total cost of the lot by adding in the real estate taxes for the years before you will start building, plus special assessments and what your money would be worth in other investments. Then decide if your lot is worth that much. Once you buy, your assets are more or less frozen.

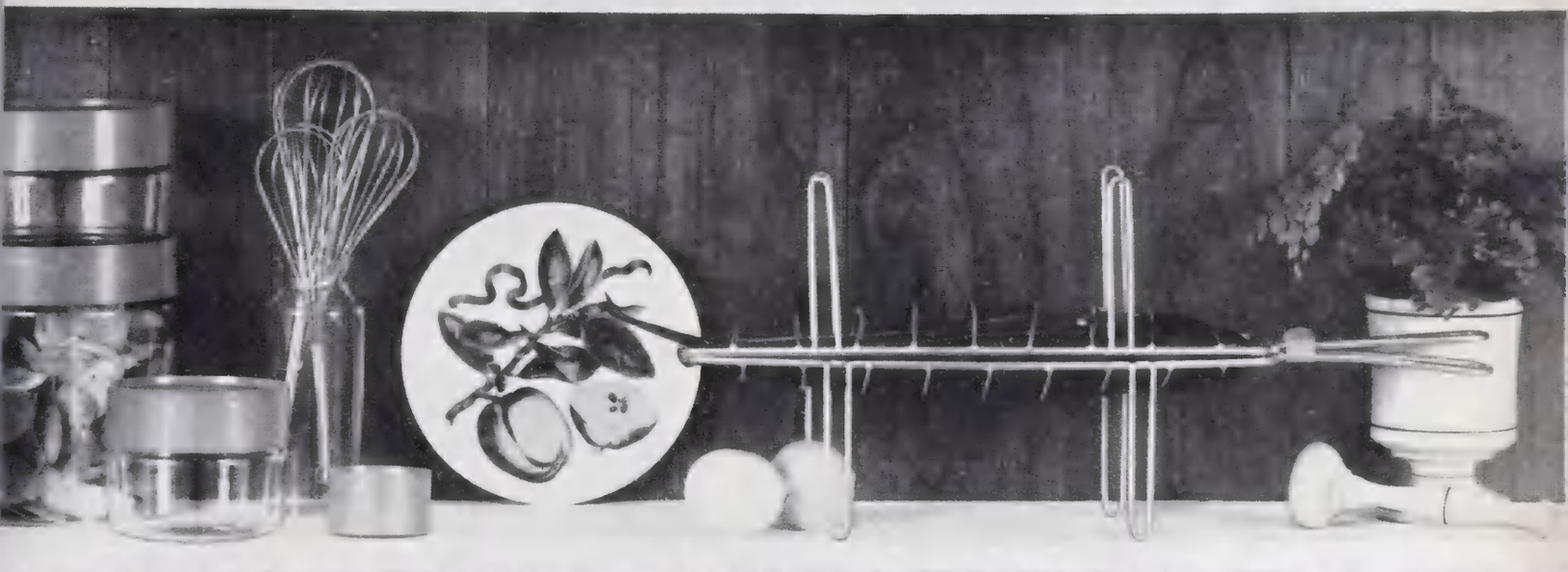
If you buy on time, figure the total future costs. If you buy a $5,000 lot and pay for it over a period of ten years, the total cost could run as high as $11,677, according to Lynn Ludlow of the *San Francisco Examiner*. In his example he includes numerous extras and payments to a residential club. Even if you eliminate most of the extras, you would still need to sell your lot for $7,897.55 to break even. Would your lot be worth that much? Of course, much depends on the rising value. But to be on the safe side ask yourself, or a financial adviser, if you would be better off to invest your money in other ways until you are ready to build. If you buy in a good location and values go up, you will profit under either payment plan.

Is this a good time to sell land?

Many people who own property have decided they do not want to build on it. Should they sell now, or wait? If the lot has been going up in value, it will probably continue to go up. If you sell, you will have a capital-gains tax to pay. Estimate how much it is costing you to hold it. Consult a realtor as to the selling price and to what he thinks your value will be in another year or two. When to sell may be largely a tax matter, so talk with your tax man and take his advice. ■

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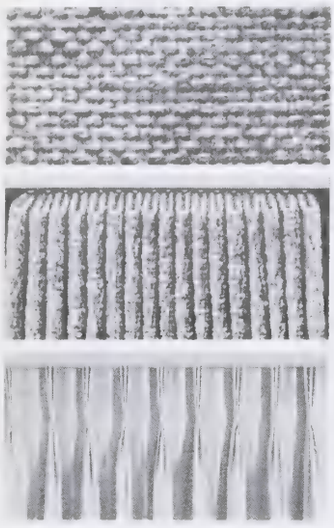




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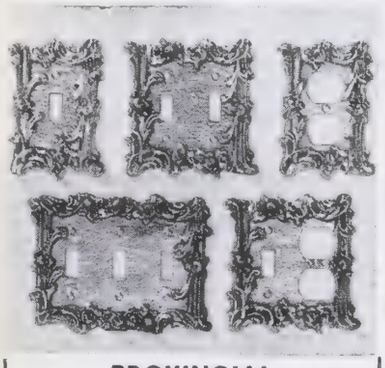
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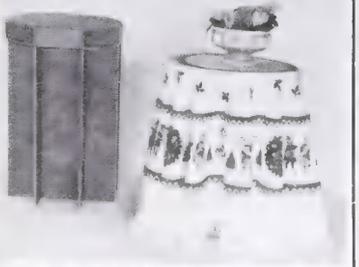
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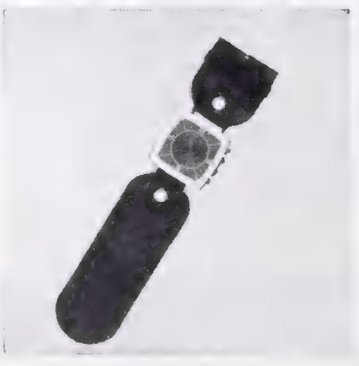
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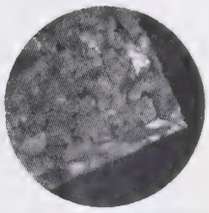
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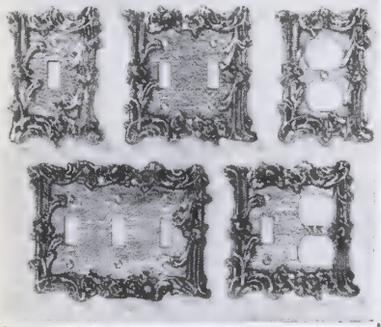
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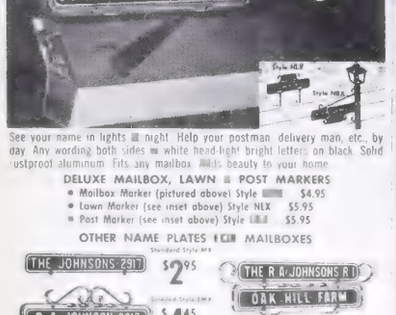
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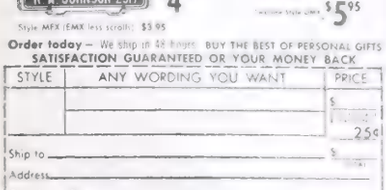


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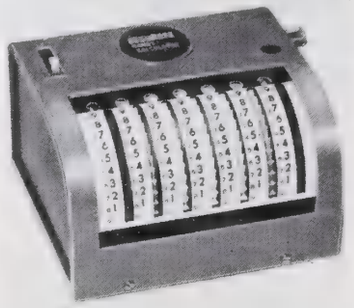
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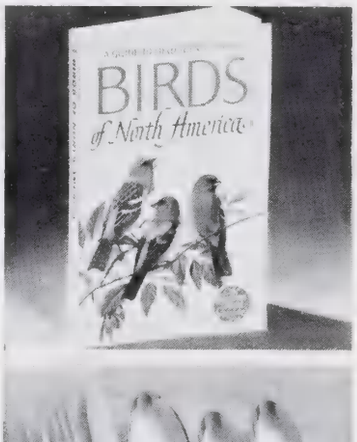
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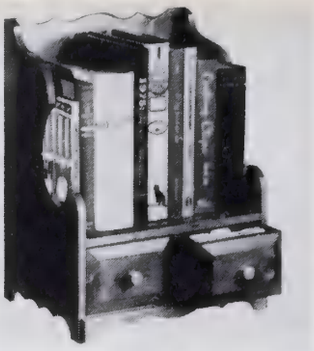
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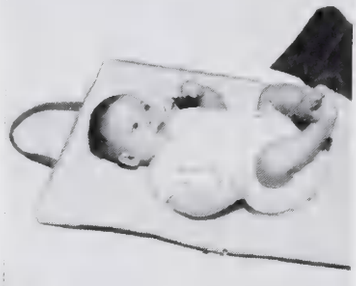
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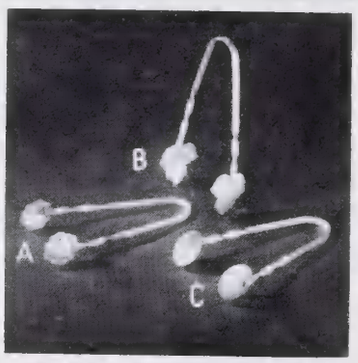
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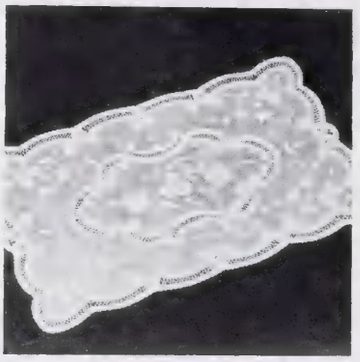
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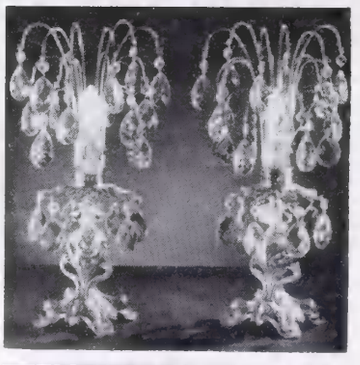
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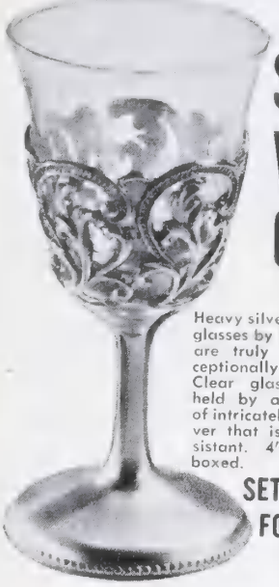


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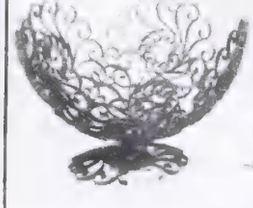
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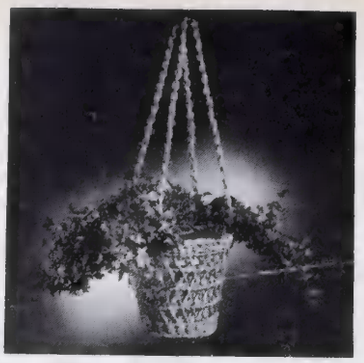
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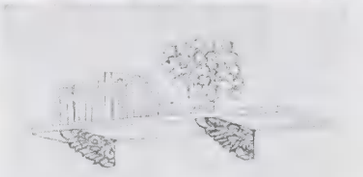
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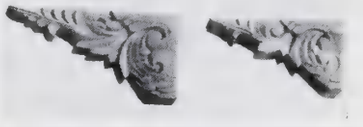
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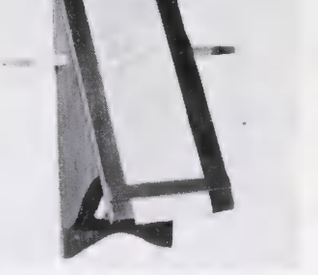
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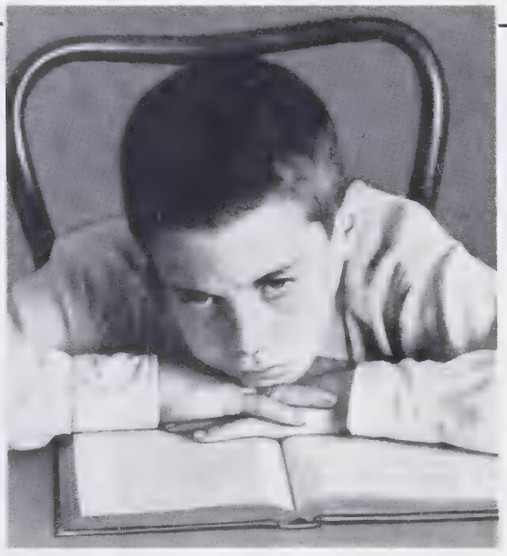
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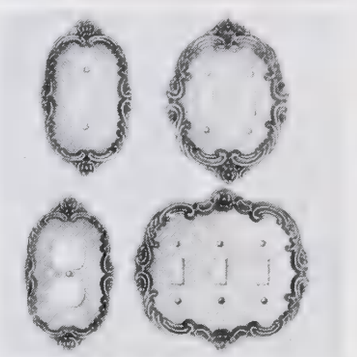


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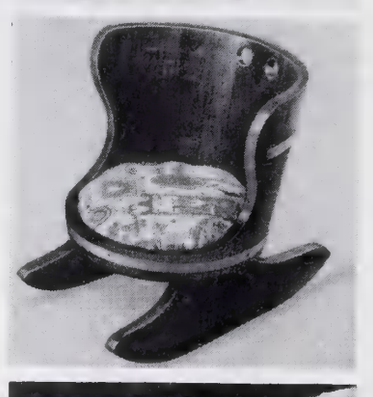
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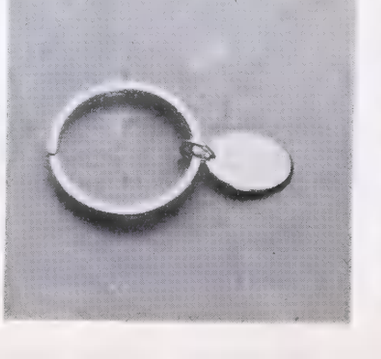
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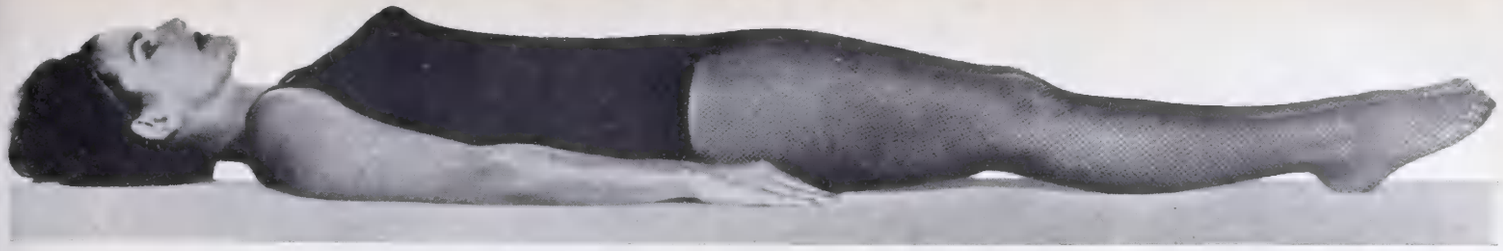
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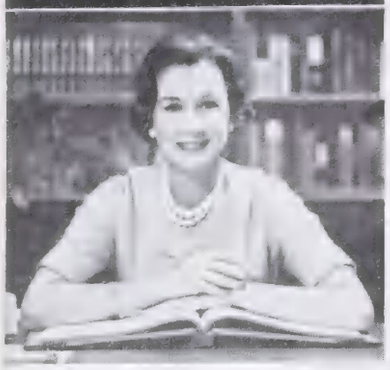
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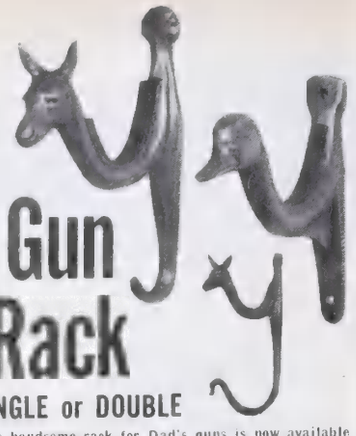
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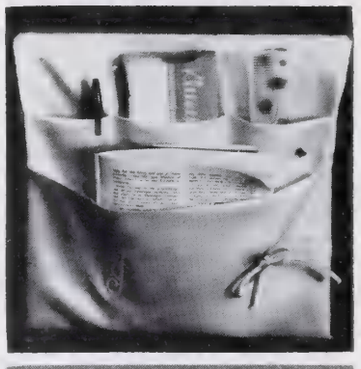
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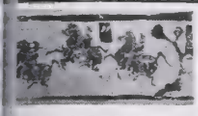
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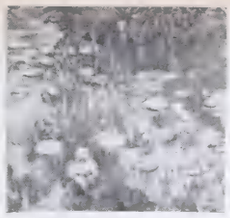
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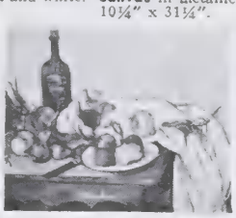
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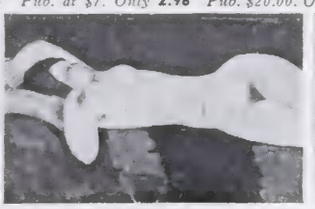
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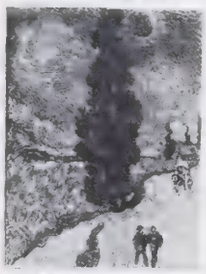
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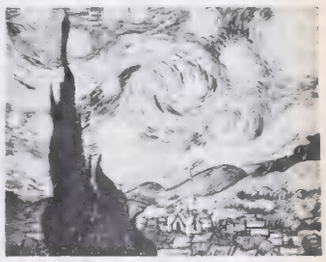
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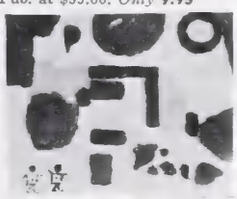
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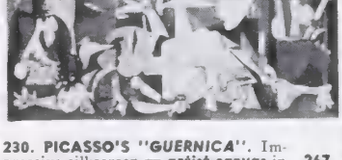
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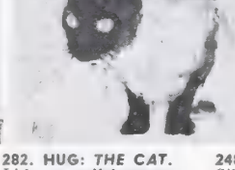
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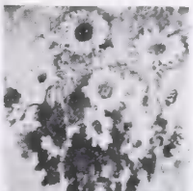
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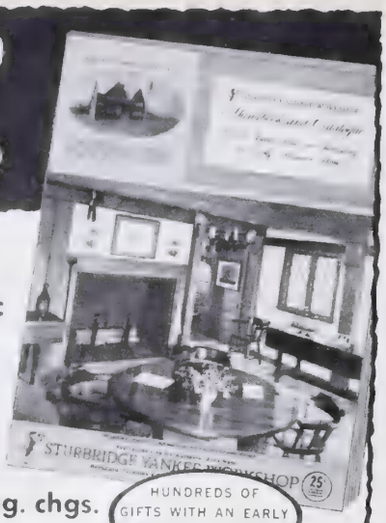
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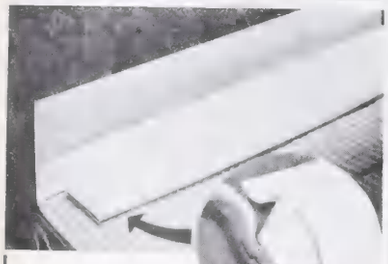


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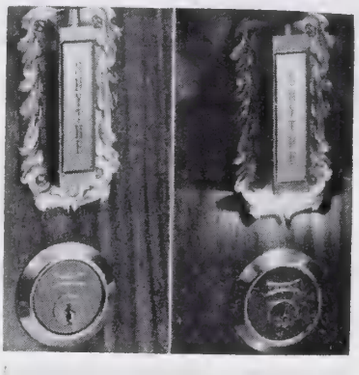
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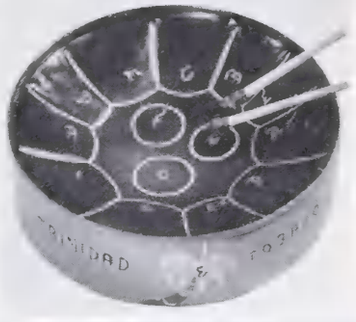
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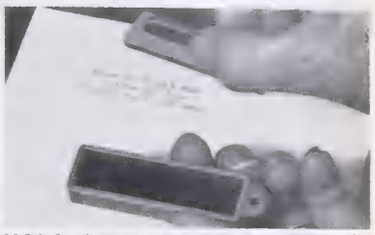
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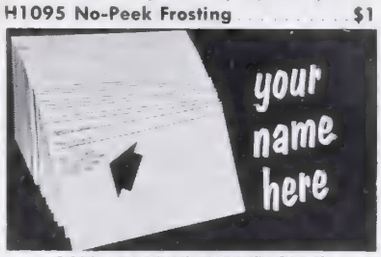
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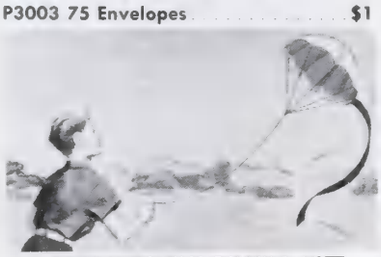
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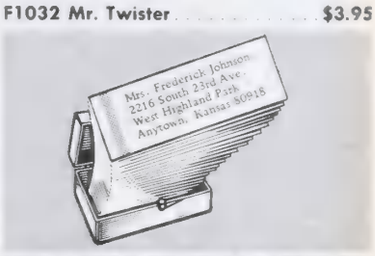
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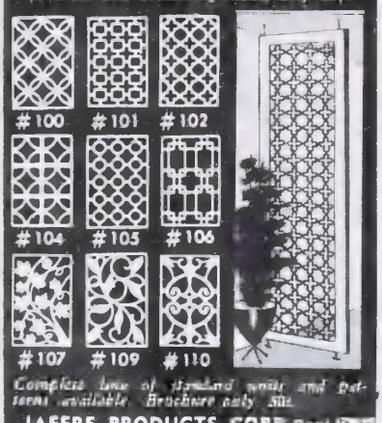
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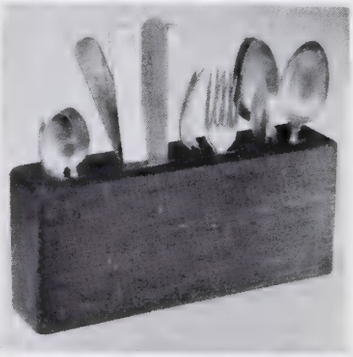
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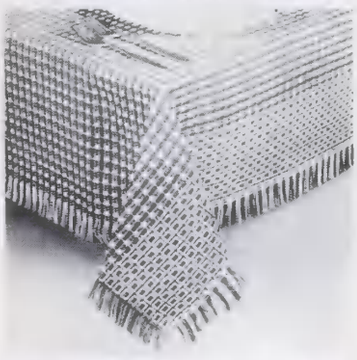
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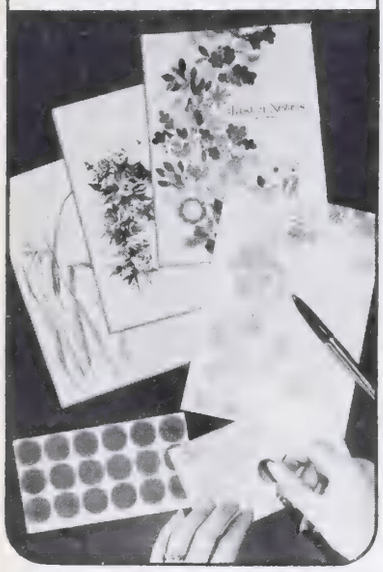
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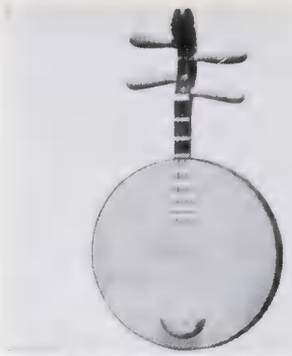
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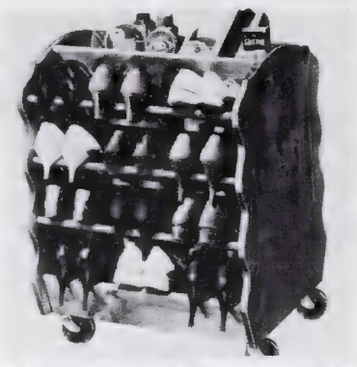
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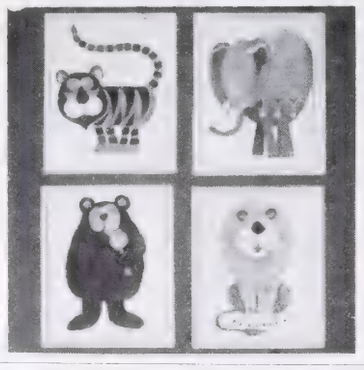
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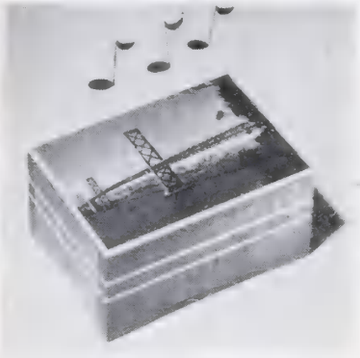
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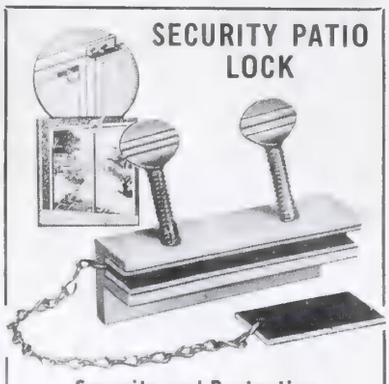
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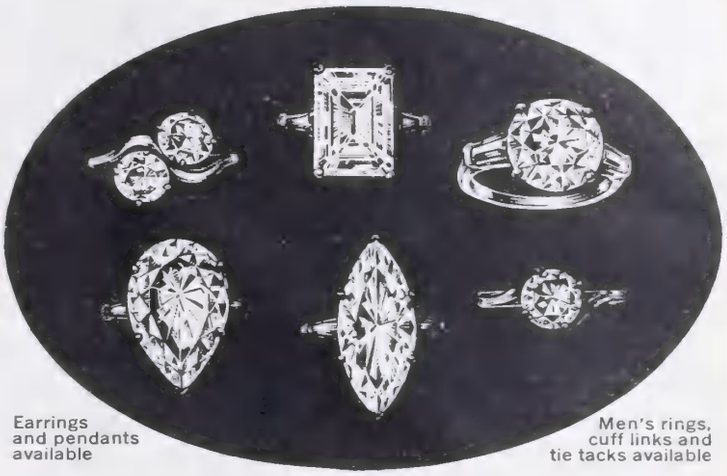


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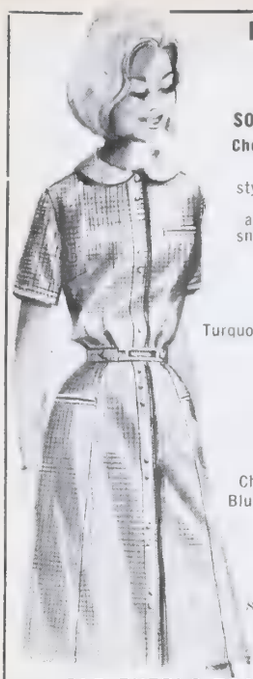
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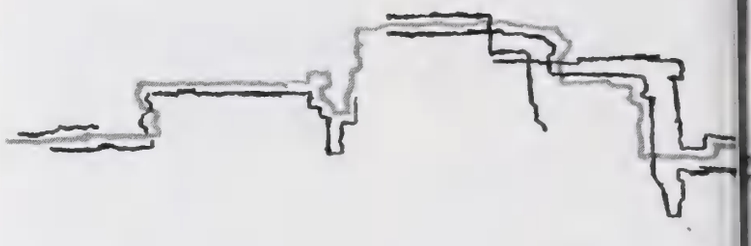
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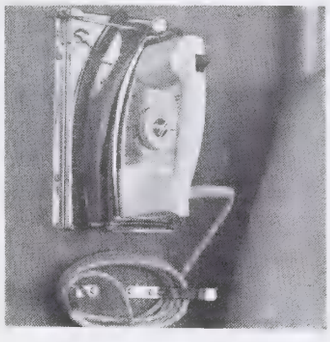
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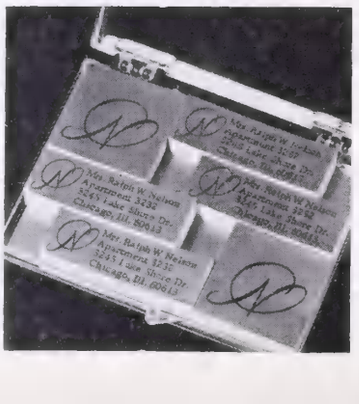
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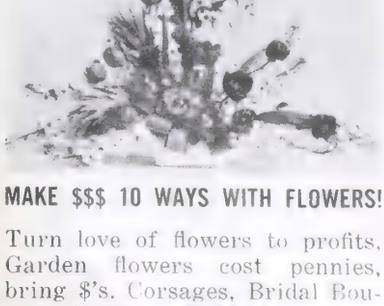
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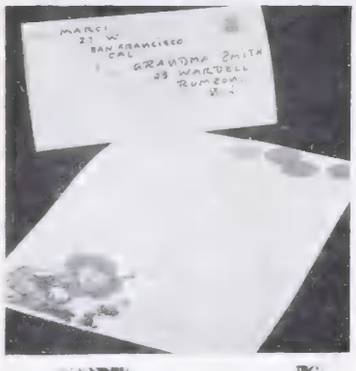
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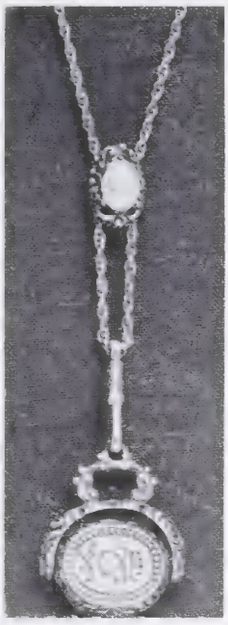
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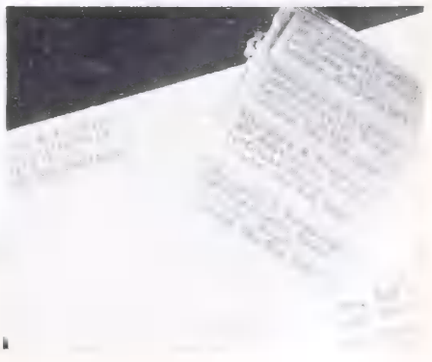
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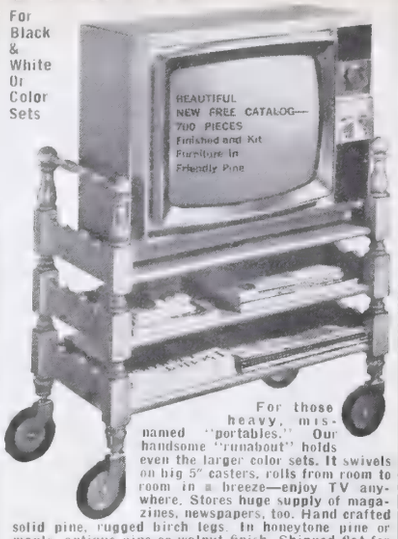
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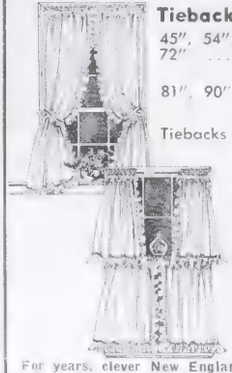
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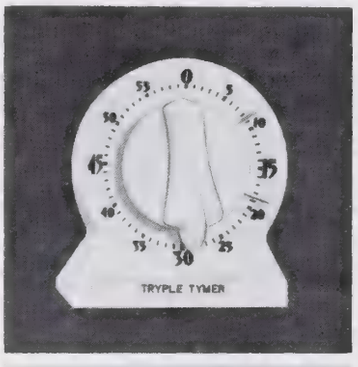
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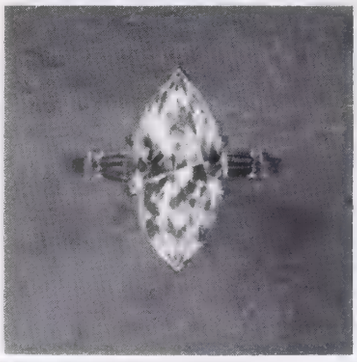
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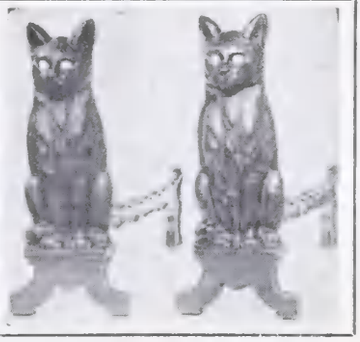
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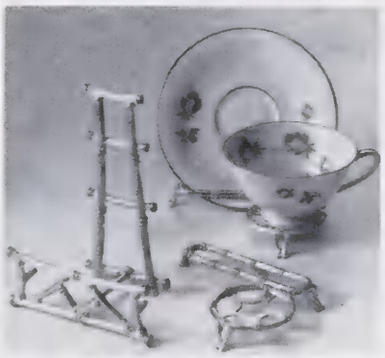
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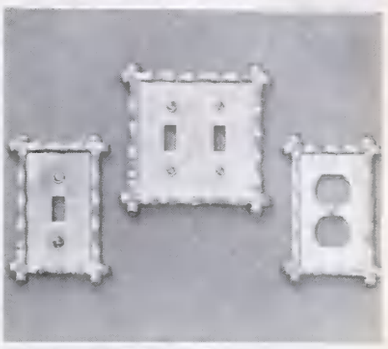
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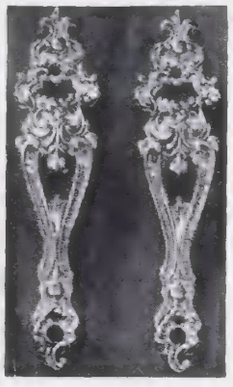


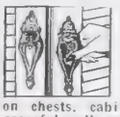
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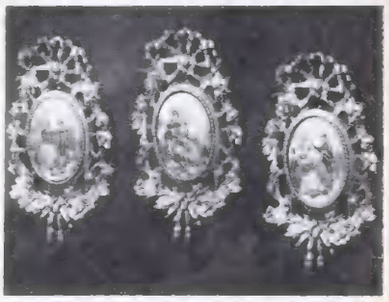
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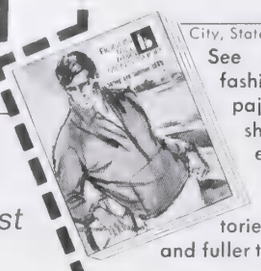
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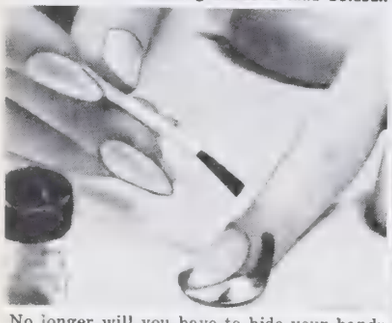
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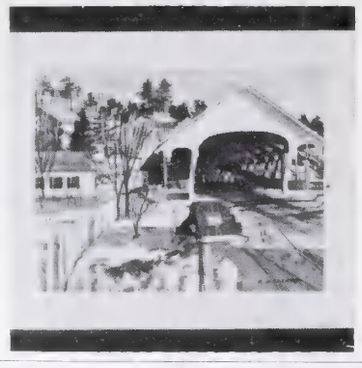
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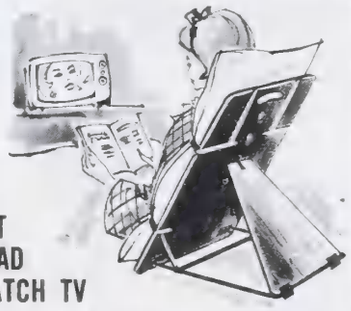
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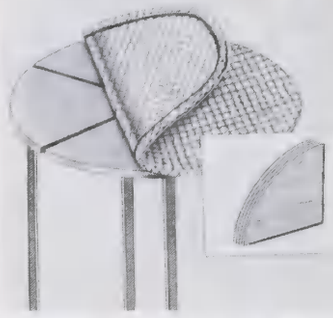
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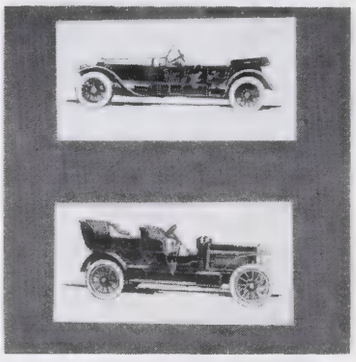
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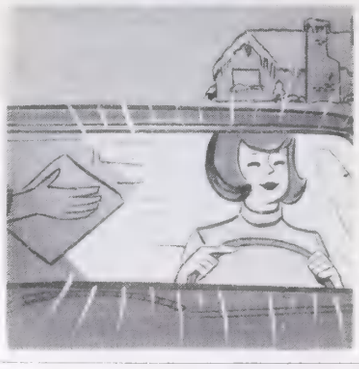


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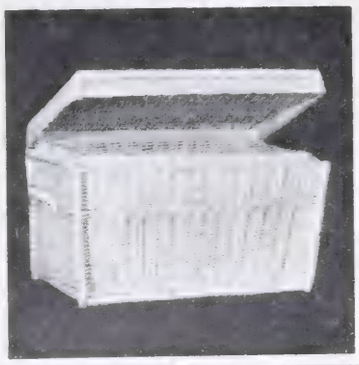
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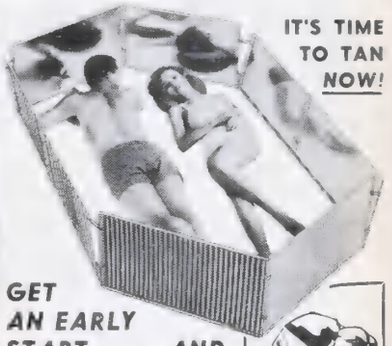


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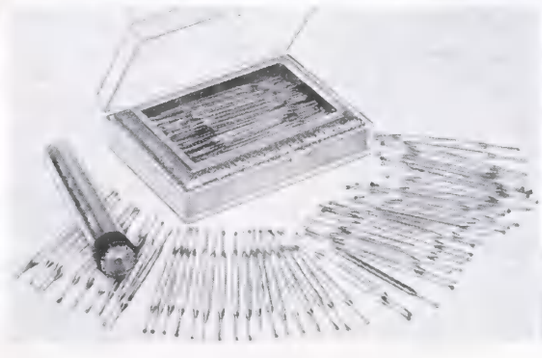
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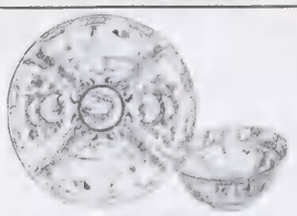
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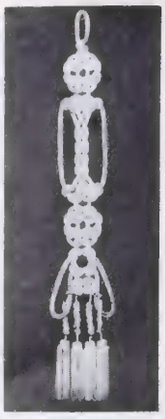
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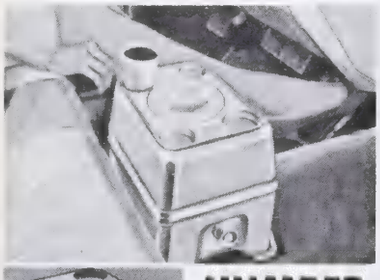
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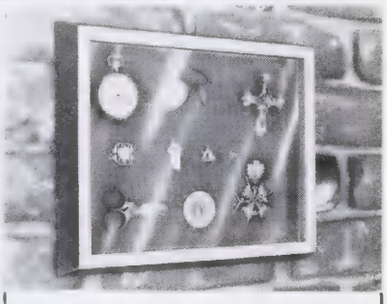
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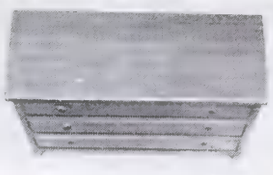
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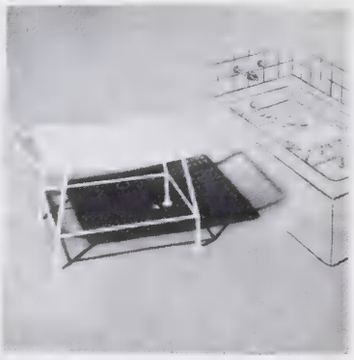
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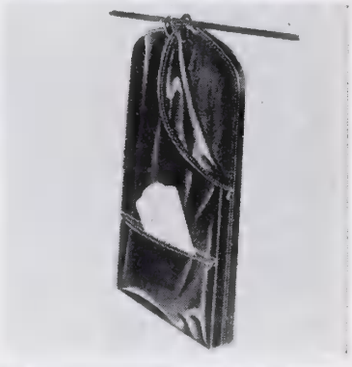
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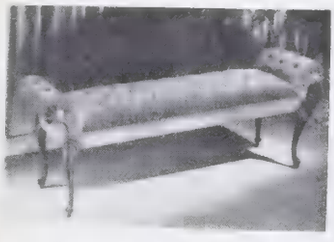
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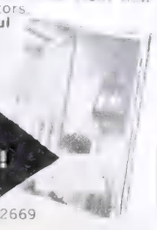
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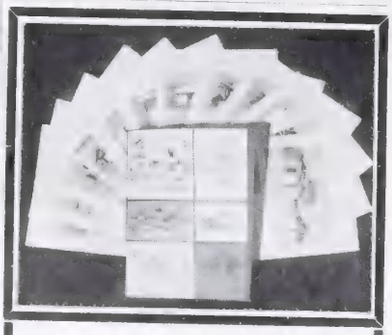
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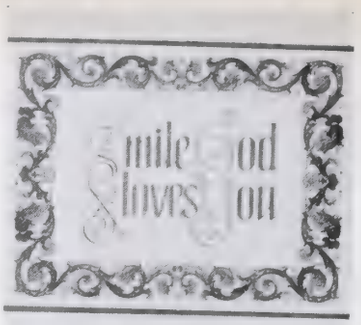


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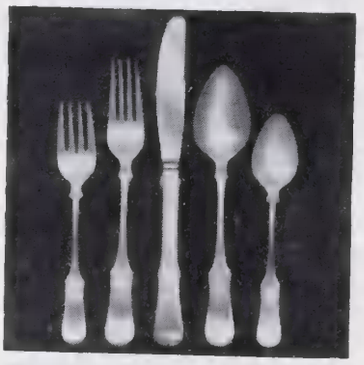
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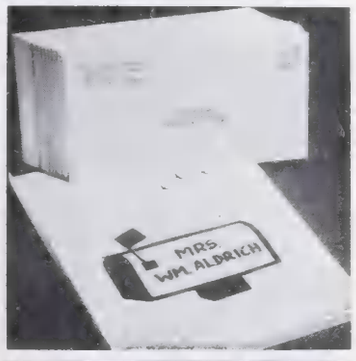
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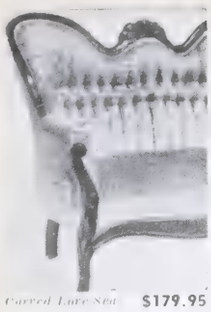


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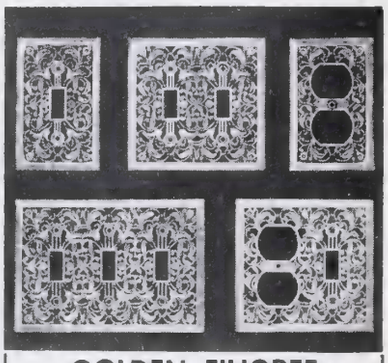
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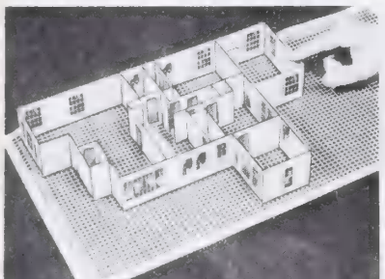
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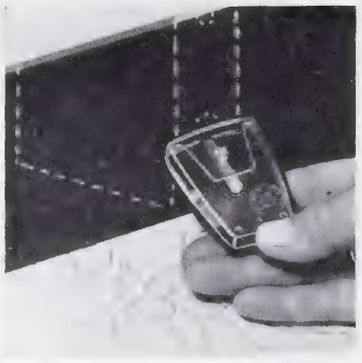
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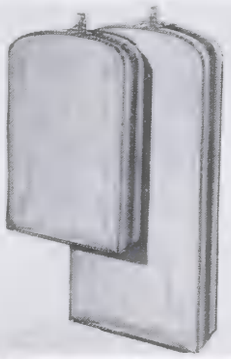
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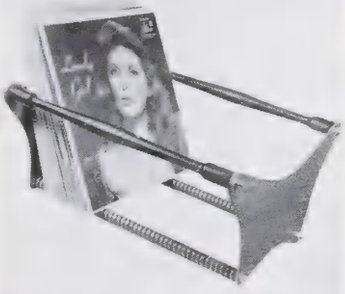
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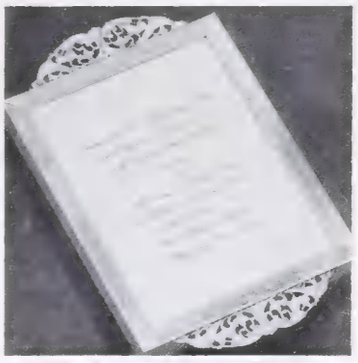
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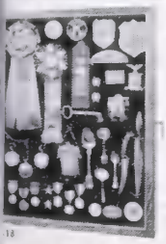


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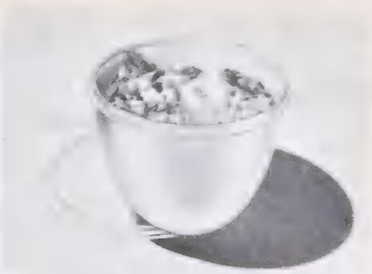
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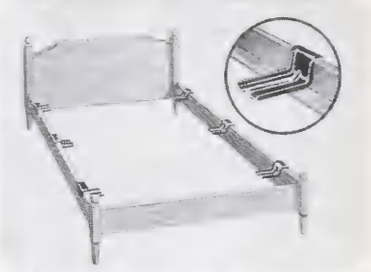
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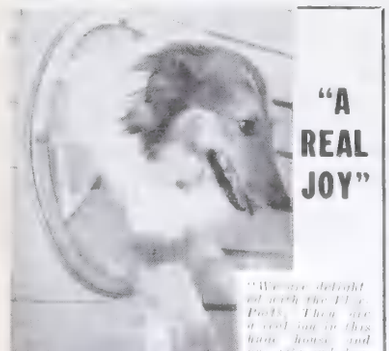
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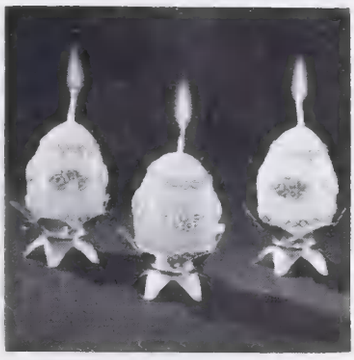
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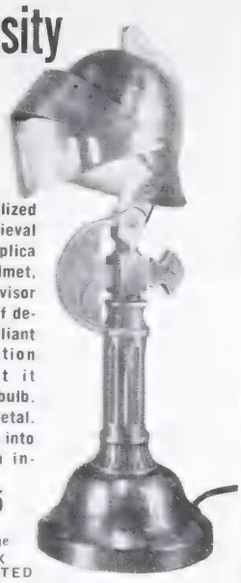


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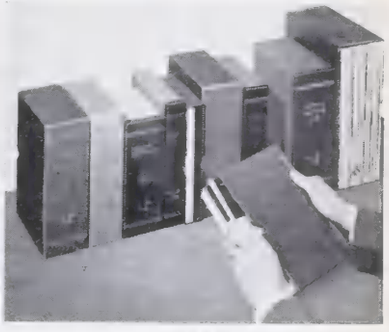
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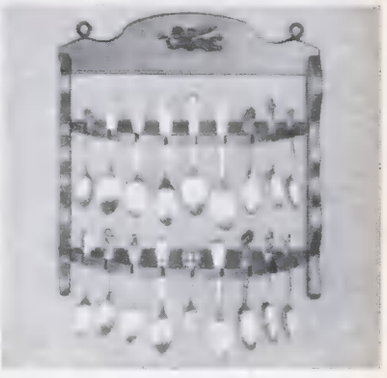
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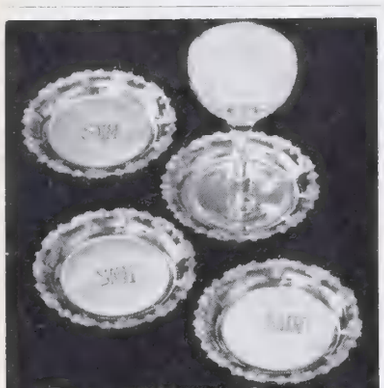
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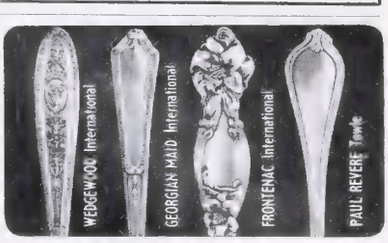
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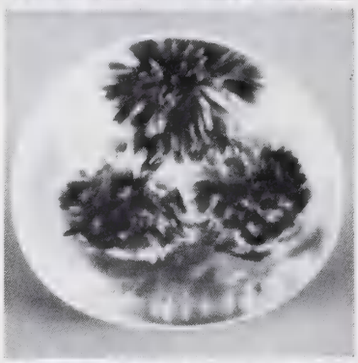
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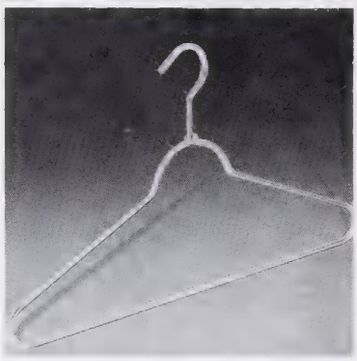
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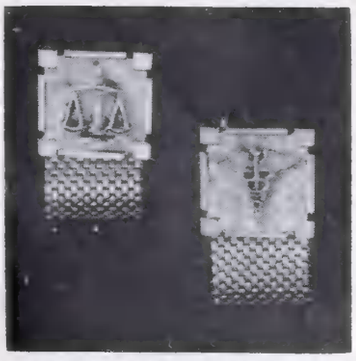
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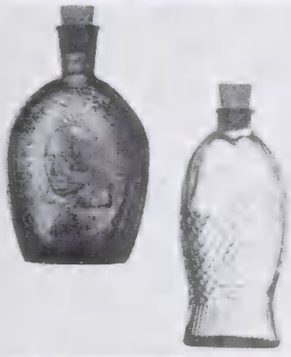
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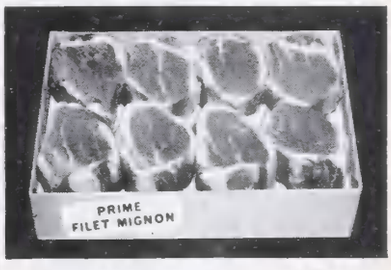


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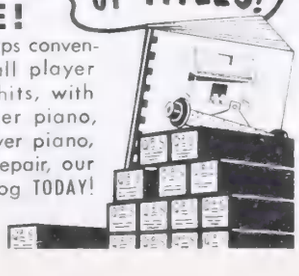
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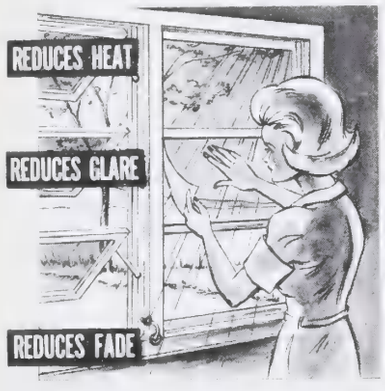
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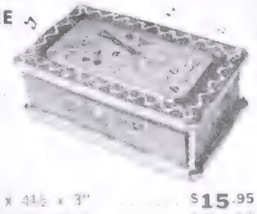


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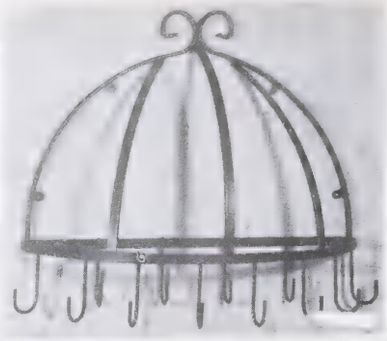


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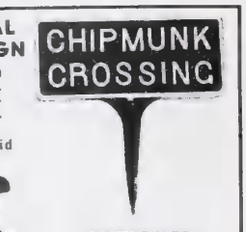
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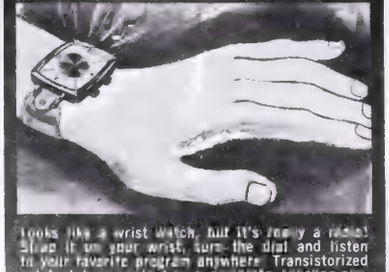


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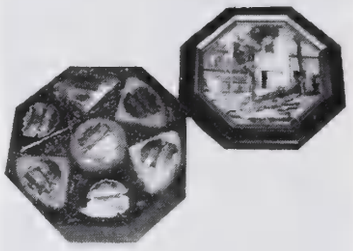
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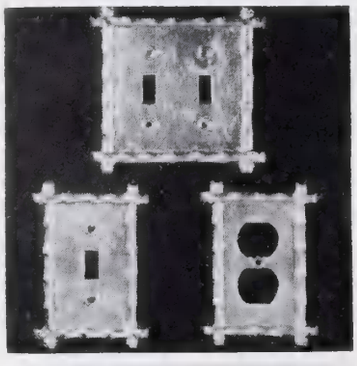
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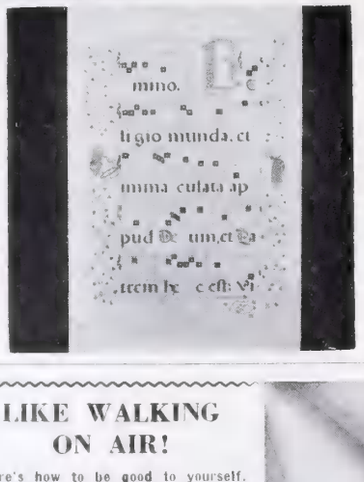
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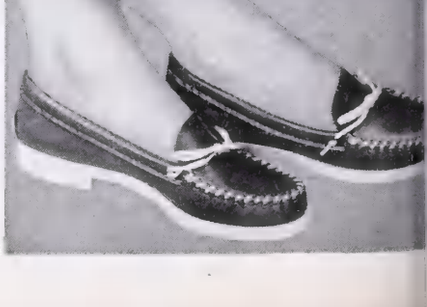
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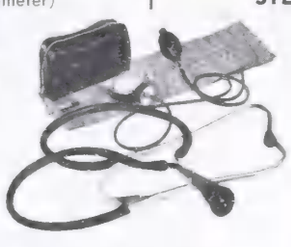
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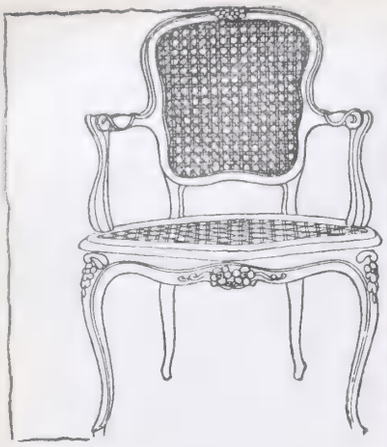
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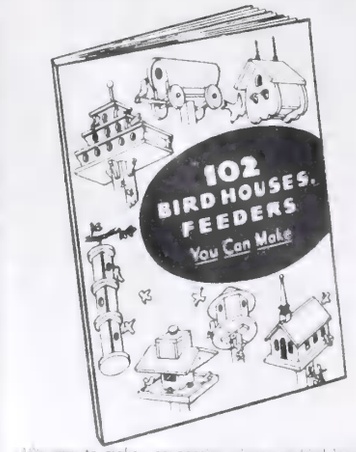
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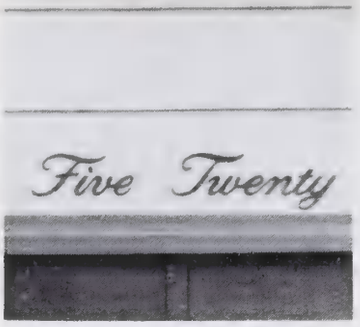
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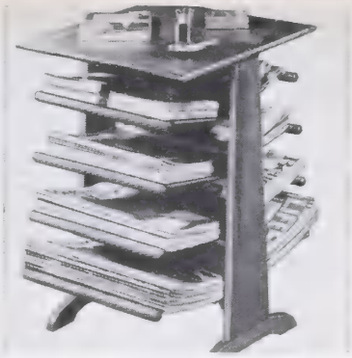


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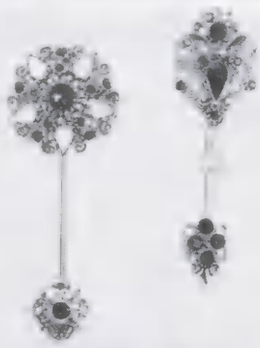
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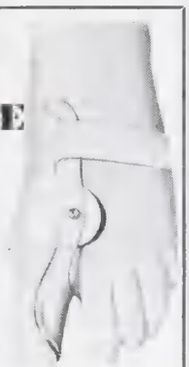
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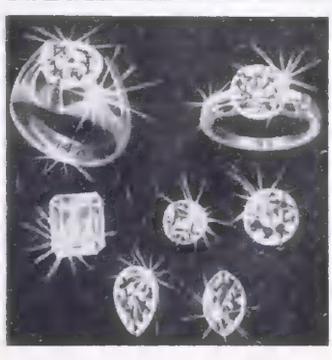
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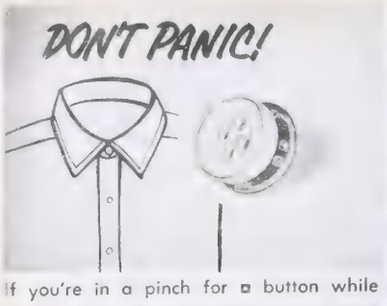
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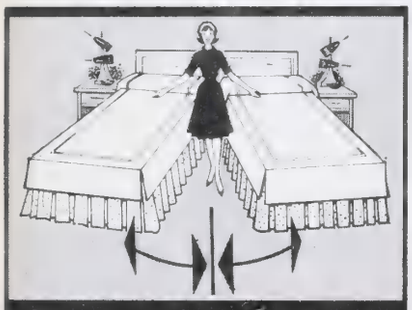
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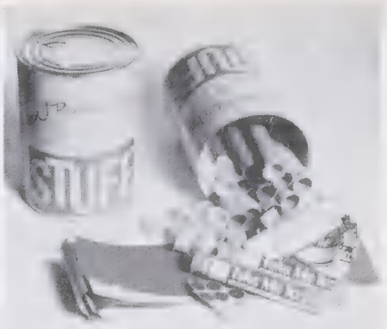
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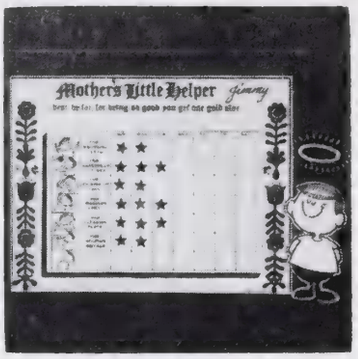
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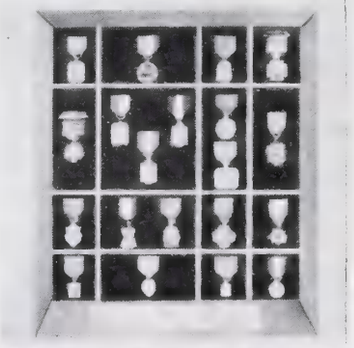
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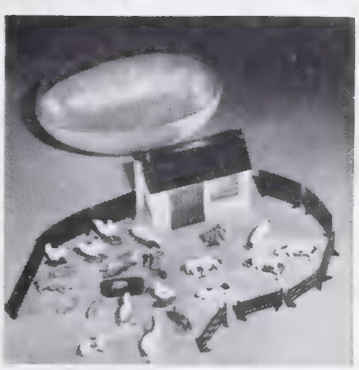
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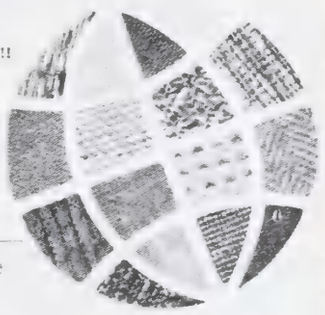
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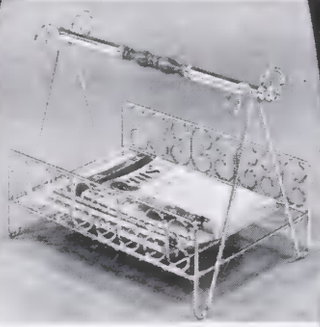
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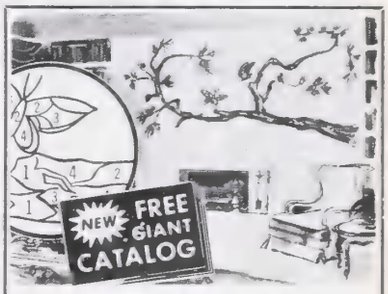


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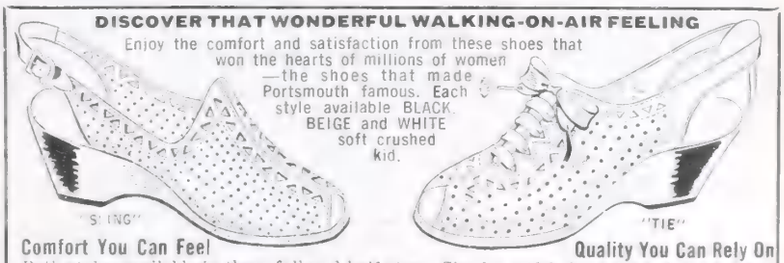
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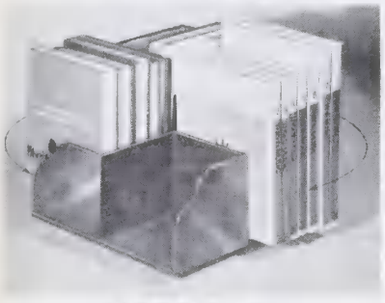
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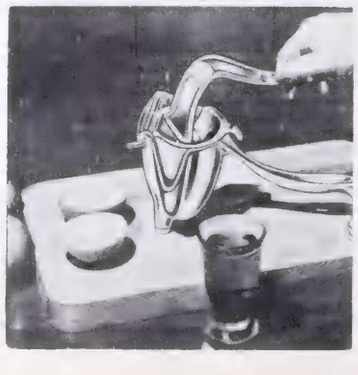












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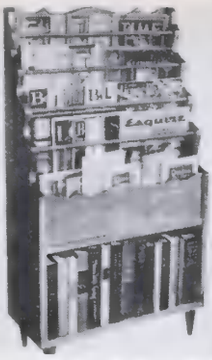
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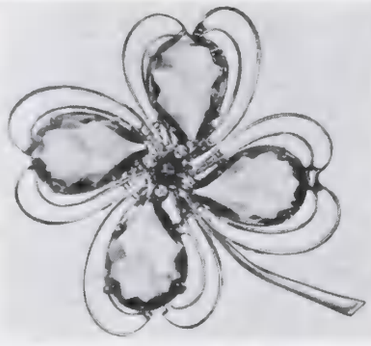


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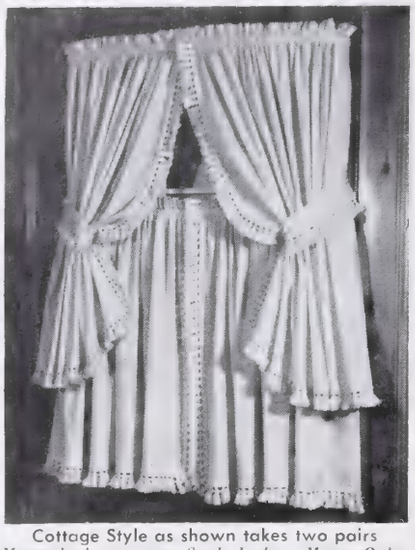
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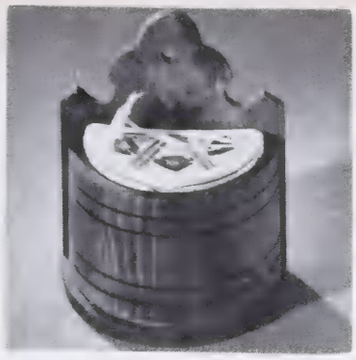
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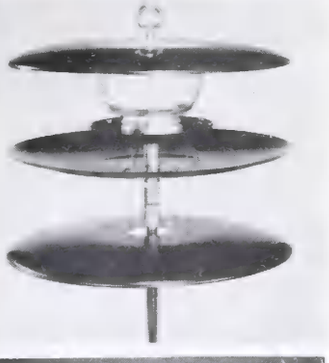
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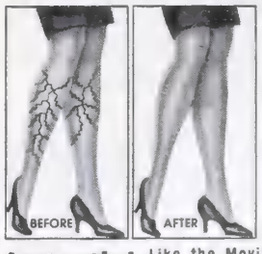
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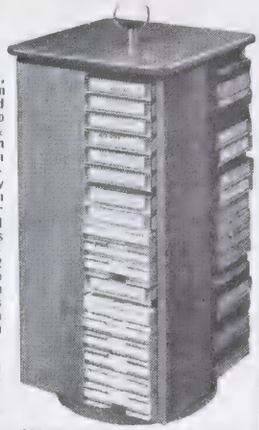
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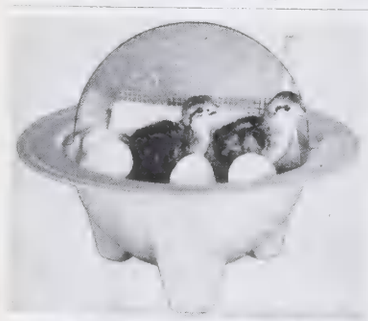
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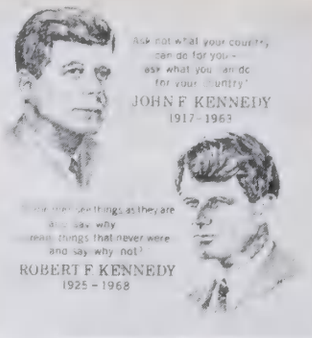
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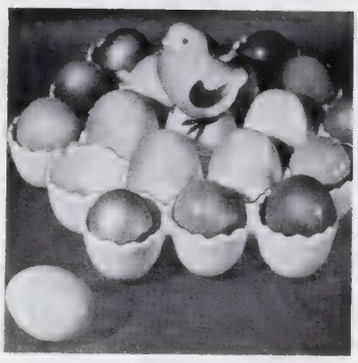
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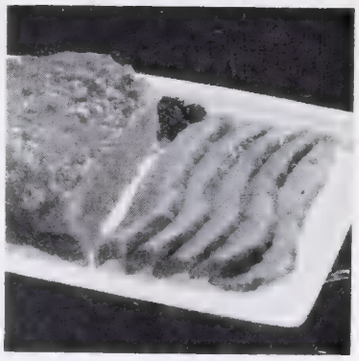
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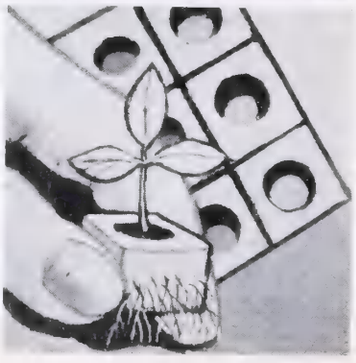
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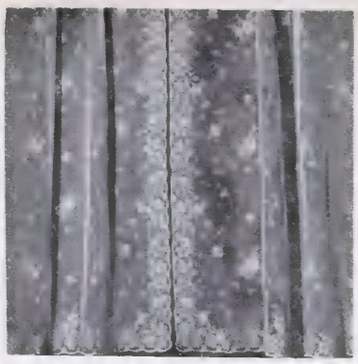


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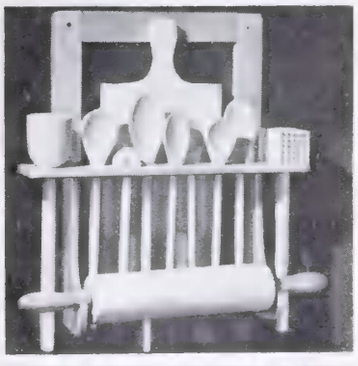
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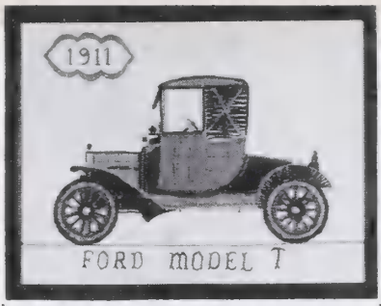


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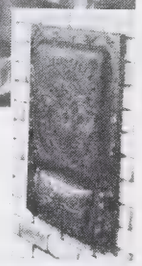
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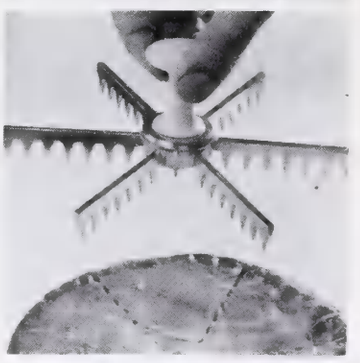
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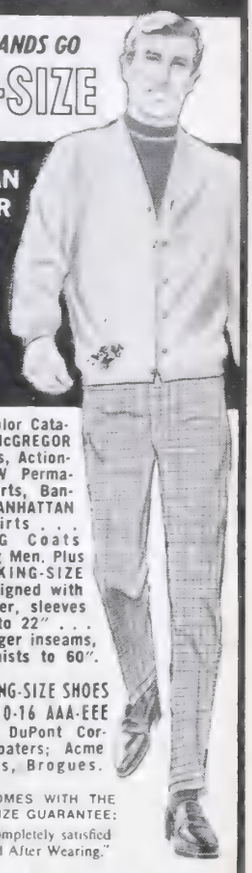


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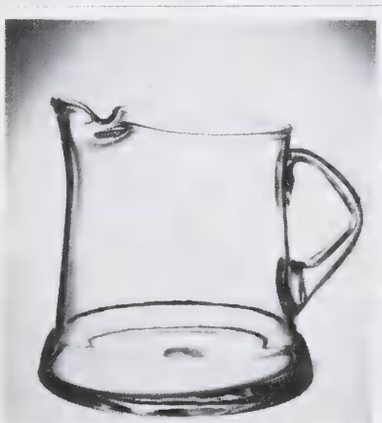
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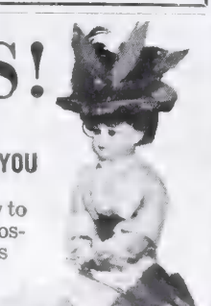
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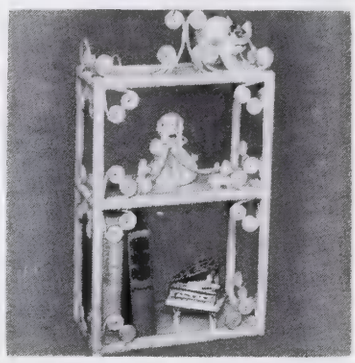
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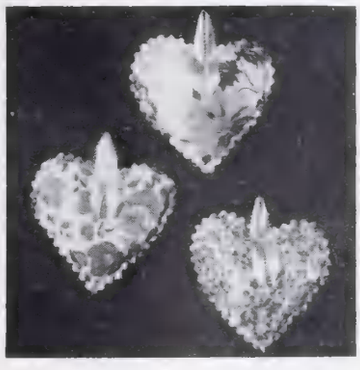
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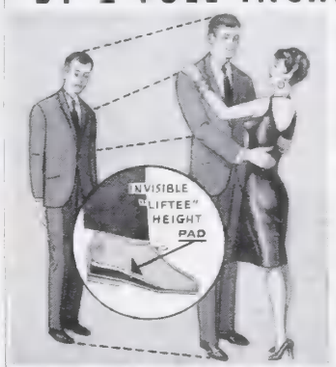
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The miraculous egg

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oil, and sauté the onions over moderate heat until limp but not brown. Stir in the mushrooms, increase the heat slightly, and cook for 2 or 3 minutes. Stir in the tomato purée, parsley, salt and pepper to taste.

Take off the heat and mix with the yolk-butter mixture very thoroughly. Fill the whites and place in a buttered baking dish. Spoon the Sauce Mornay over the stuffed eggs, place in a preheated 425° oven, and bake for 5 to 6 minutes —actually just long enough to heat the eggs. Serves 3 or 4.

**Sauce Mornay.* Melt 4 tablespoons butter in a heavy saucepan. Stir in 4 tablespoons of flour until smooth. Cook, stirring constantly, without browning, for 3 or 4 minutes. Add 2 cups milk, heated, and cook, whipping constantly with a wire whisk, until the sauce has thickened lightly. Add 3 egg yolks, one at a time, whipping hard after each addition. Finally, fold in ½ cup grated Swiss cheese with a wooden spatula (not a whisk or the sauce will "string" and look like glue).

Sauce Mornay is served over cauliflower, eggs, shellfish, etc.

Facts about eggs everybody should know

1. Eggs should always be refrigerated promptly, preferably in the carton in which they came so they sit with the big end up. The USDA recommends this because it keeps the yolks centered. Further, the covered carton retards moisture loss and helps to prevent absorption of odors.

2. Eggs are generally available in these sizes: extra large, large, and medium, in these grades: AA and A, which are ideal for all purposes but especially desirable for frying and poaching, where appearance is important: Grade B, best for general-purpose cooking and baking.

3. The USDA grade shield on the egg carton or tape that seals the carton means the eggs have been graded for both quality and size under Federal-State supervision.

4. Size and quality are not related. Large eggs may be high or low quality; high-quality eggs, large or small. The USDA shield is your best guide for both grade and size.

5. Brown and white eggs are equally good. Shell color is determined by the breed of the hen and has nothing whatever to d with the grade, nutritive valu flavor, or cooking performance.

6. With the exception of on elets, eggs are always cooked a a low temperature. High tempe atures and overcooking toughe eggs.

7. To avoid cracked shells whil cooking eggs in the shell, punch tiny hole in the large end of th egg with a needle or pin.

8. Two egg yolks can usuall be substituted for 1 whole egg i recipes such as scrambled egg custards, pancakes, quick bread or simple cookies and cakes.

9. Raw egg yolks can be use up in baked custards, cake cookies, quick breads, Hollan daise, mayonnaise, scramble eggs, meat loaves, and meat balls raw egg whites in cakes, cookies breads, meringues, soufflés, om elets, sauces, and puddings; hard cooked eggs or yolks in casse roles, egg sauces, salads, sand wich spreads, or as garnishes.

10. Eggs separate more easil straight from the refrigerator but egg whites beat up to a great er volume if brought to room tem perature.

11. Egg whites freeze perfectly Rather than freeze a quantity drop the whites into individua ice-cube containers, freeze, the store in a freezer bag, tied tight ly, in the freezer. By this method you can tell exactly how many whites you have on hand and ca use only as many as you need a one time. Allow about 30 minute to thaw.

12. The thick white cordlike substance attached to the yolk known as the chalaza, a norma part of all eggs, holds the yolk centered in the white.

13. Leftover egg yolks, covered with cold water and refrigerated, can be kept up to three days. They can, however, be cooked in sim mering water and refrigerated suitably covered, for the same length of time.

14. The calorie count: 1 large whole egg, 88 calories; 1 medium whole egg, 78 calories; 1 small whole egg, 65 calories.

15. To avoid the gray-green dis coloration of egg yolks in hard-cooked eggs, take care not to overcook, and plunge them im mediately into cold water.

16. Equivalents: Four to six whole eggs, 8 to 10 whites, or 12 to 14 egg yolks are equivalent to one standard measuring cup. ■

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en. Stir in another lump of r, take off the heat and con- to stir (the heat from the pan continues to cook the until you have a smooth, ny mixture. If the eggs must for any length of time, stir *whole raw egg* just before ning the mixture onto a warm r. This little trick helps to the eggs moist and soft.

riations: Just before pouring eggs into the skillet, stir in ed fresh herbs (chives, tar- n, parsley, or chervil); thinly l truffles; shredded cheese ddar or Swiss); or freshly d Parmesan cheese.

oached eggs

s pochés, in French. Fill a n or shallow skillet ¾ full ater. Bring to a boil, reduce to simmer (the temperature which eggs should cook ughout). Break each egg sep- ly into a cup or saucer and the egg from it into the wa- holding the dish as close to surface of the water as com- bly possible. Do not cook than 4 eggs at one time. h for 3 to 5 minutes, depend- on the firmness wanted, or un- he white solidifies and forms over the yolk. Lift from the r with a slotted spoon and n on paper towels.

ried eggs

fs poêlés, in French. Heat but- salad oil (or a half-and-half bination of both), or bacon in a small frypan. Allow 1 to blespoons for each egg. When fat is sending off pale-blue ke, slip the eggs, one at a , from a saucer into the fat. k only 2 eggs at a time. Re- heat to low. Baste the eggs the hot fat until the whites firm and the yolks show a film over the surface. At this t, the yolks will still be liquid n pierced with a fork. Serve nny-side up," or turn at this t with a broad flexible spat- and cook for a few seconds ger. Season. Serve with crisp on or fried tomatoes.

Shirred eggs

le plat, eggs on the plate, in nch. Eggs cooked in this way a "kind of poached egg whose it depends on just the right ree of cooking." Right degree ges on three points: (a) king the white until it be- es milky; (b) the shining rorlike quality of the yolk—in nce *oeufs sur le plat* are sometimes called *oeufs au miroir* (looking-glass eggs)—which is achieved by putting the eggs into the oven for a few seconds or until the yolks look varnished; (c) taking care to keep the eggs from sticking to the plate.

To cook, butter a small round or oval baking dish. Season the dish with salt and freshly ground pepper; never season the top of the eggs because it marks them with little spots. When the butter is hot, break 2 eggs into the dish and cook slowly on stove top.

For *oeufs au miroir*, place the dish in a hot oven for 45 to 50 seconds after the eggs are cooked to glaze the top of the yolks.

8. Eggs in ramekins

Oeufs en cocotte, in French. Butter small porcelain ramekins or individual soufflé dishes; sprinkle with salt and freshly ground *white* pepper. Break an egg into each. Set the ramekins in a small pan with enough hot water to reach to ⅔ the depth of the ramekins. Cover tightly, bring water to a boil, and cook for about 3 minutes. Or bake in a preheated 250° oven for 4 or 5 minutes.

How to shell cooked eggs

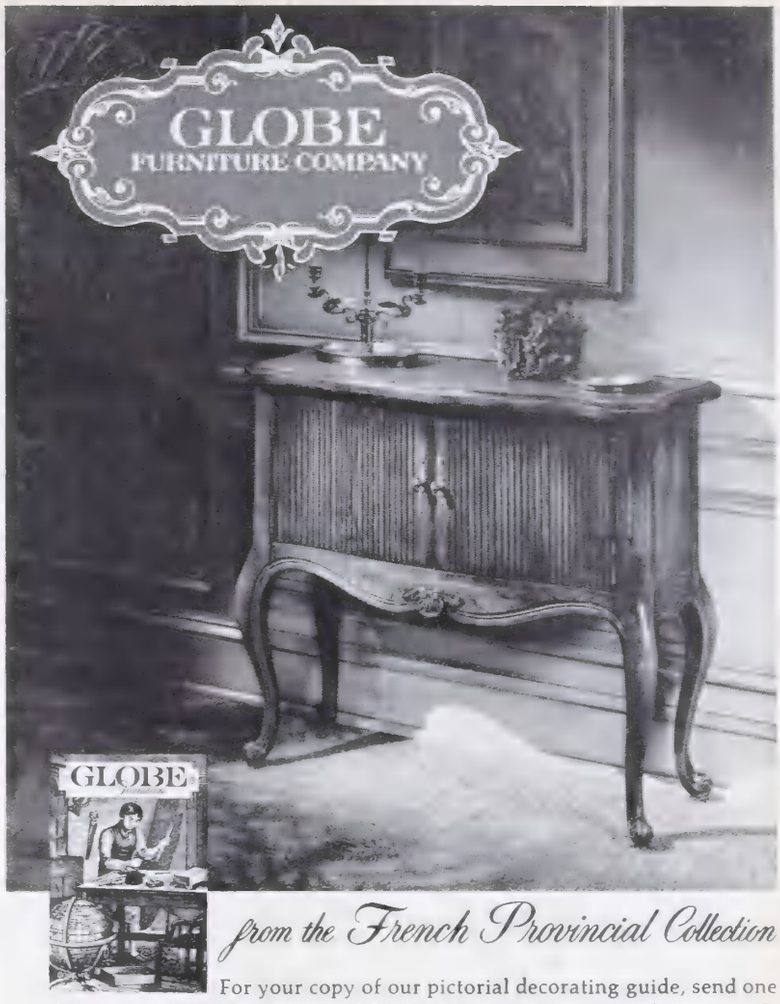
Eggs are sometimes hard to shell because they are very fresh. Two days in the refrigerator changes the acid-alkaline balance so the shell is easier to remove.

To shell either soft- or hard-cooked eggs, hot or cold, crackle the shell gently on a flat surface or with the back of a spoon, taking care not to break the egg itself. Holding the egg in the palm of one hand, pull the shell and membrane from the egg, dipping it into water if necessary to help ease the shell off.

Refrigerator life of cooked eggs

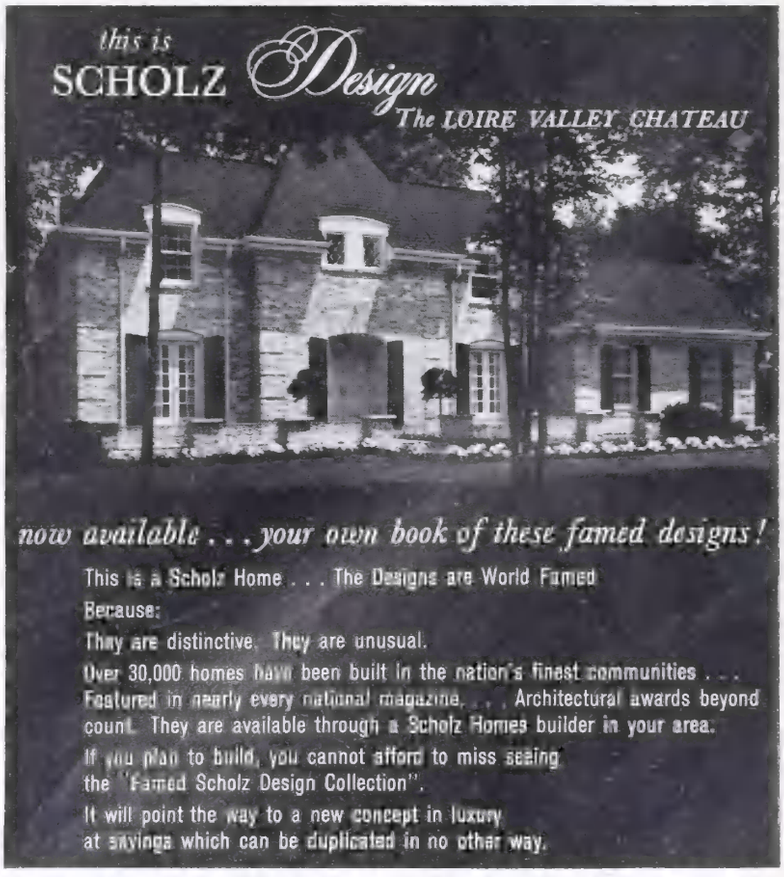
Hard-cooked eggs, in or out of the shell, can be refrigerated for 2 days, but no longer, and it's a good idea to mark the eggs so they won't get mixed up with uncooked eggs. Soft-cooked eggs, shelled, can be refrigerated in cold water (this helps to keep their shape) for the same length of time. To reheat, place egg or eggs in a strainer and heat in a pan of boiling water for 1 minute. Drain before using.

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Library: Wool carpet, BIGELOW. Sofa, KNOLL. Marble cube table, HARVEY PROBBER. Glass-topped table, TOMLINSON. Birch screens, CUSTOMWOOD CORP. Danish lantern lamp, BONNIERS, 605 Madison Ave., N.Y.C. Painting by Tommy Speck and sculpture by James Garner, INTERNATIONAL GALLERY.

Baby's room: Chest of drawers, unpainted, SEARS ROEBUCK & CO., at SEARS stores. Carpet, BIGELOW. Pâpier-maché flower in pot, JAFFEE-RUFFIN, 2918 Poplar Ave., Memphis.

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Construction materials and equipment: Cedar shingles, WEYERHAUSER. Paints, MARTIN-SENOUR. Door hardware, STANLEY. Windows and screening, ANDERSEN. Interior walls, "SHEETROCK," U.S. GYPSUM. Living room floor, Oak. Vinyl asbestos tile floor in baths, FLINTKOTE. Vinyl tile floor in kitchen, ARMSTRONG. Sink faucet, MOEN. Disposer, NATIONAL DISPOSER. Dishwasher, KITCHENAID. Range and oven, MAGIC CHEF. Refrigerator, WESTINGHOUSE. Washer and dryer, WHIRLPOOL. Electric panel board, switches, dimmers, and door bell, GENERAL ELECTRIC. Wall tile in baths, AMERICAN OLEAN. Towel b and accessories, STANLEY. Heati controls, HONEYWELL. Sound equ ment, KLH. Television, ZENITH.

Furnishings: Living-dining ar Sofa, black leather chairs, all curta fabric, DESIGN RESEARCH, 57 Brat St., Cambridge, Mass. Dining chai E. A. CLORE. Lamps, LUXO. Bedroo Fabric over bed, DESIGN RESEARC Lamps, LUXO.

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Living room: Sofa-bed, CHESA PEAKE-SEGAL-LAND. Red desk chai stool, writing box, lamp table, pai of spotted cats, DORIS DESSAUER, 22 E. 57th St., N.Y.C. Pair of panele screens, cocktail table, CHARLES F GRACIE. Area rug, "LITORAL," F. SCHU MACHER & CO. Fabric and printe trim on sofa and chair, CHARLE BLOOM. White porcelain birds, MID TOWN ANTIQUE SHOP, 1066 Secon Ave., N.Y.C. Pillow fabric, FA EASTERN FABRICS. White milkglass FENTON ART GLASS. WOLLENSAK stere tape recorder, 3-M CO.

Bedroom: Bedspread fabric CHARLES BLOOM. Lamp, DORIS DES SAUER. Bed, MURPHY BED CO., 3 E 44th St., N.Y.C. Chest, BON MARCHÉ 74 Fifth Ave., N.Y.C.

Here and now: the short sofa

Following are the short sofas, number-keyed to our Here-and-Now stores listed at the left.

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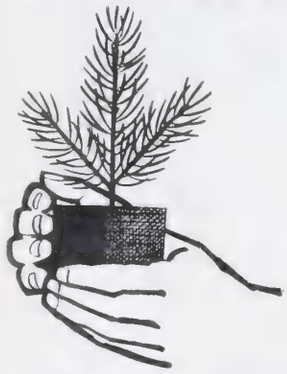
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How to buy a lawn

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surface smooth, then apply 10-6-4, 10-10-10, or a similar lawn fertilizer. (5) Seed permanent grass at the rate suggested on the container for a new lawn. Sow seeds with a spreader for even distribution, applying half one way, half at right angles. Rake lightly to cover. Mulch with a thin covering of straw or peat moss. Keep constantly moist by sprinkling two or three times daily until the new grass is growing actively.

If you have a lawn that is less than satisfactory, it is probably worth upgrading if it contains at least 40 to 50 percent desirable, perennial grasses. Otherwise, you will be wise to banish the existing turf chemically and start over as for a new lawn.

If you decide to save your established lawn, the most direct way to upgrade is to put all your budget in fertilizer and concentrate your effort on frequent mowing and adequate watering. This upgrading program can be intensified by using weedkillers and seeding with an improved variety like Windsor. Upgrading indicates a gradual but definite improvement program, and it can be started at any time grass is making active growth.

If the lawn to be upgraded has uneven areas that need grading or leveling, late summer and early fall are the ideal times to bring in the necessary topsoil and then sow seeds.

Program for renovation

A more ambitious renovation program is best begun in late August or early September. These are the steps to follow: (1) Apply 2,4-D to kill broadleaf weeds. If crabgrass is a serious problem, make two or three applications of DSMA or MSMA, at least three weeks before seeding. (2) Rent a lawn aerator to loosen the soil without ruining the existing grass. (3) Use a soil-test kit to determine the pH, or have this done through your county Cooperative Extension Agent. If the pH is below 6.5, apply 50 to 75 pounds of ground agricultural limestone per 1,000 square feet. (4) In September apply a well-balanced lawn fertilizer. (5) Rake bare areas to loosen soil, then seed perennial grasses at rate of one to two pounds per 1,000 square feet. Rake lightly. (6) Keep the soil moist until seedlings become established. This may require sprinkling two or three times daily in the early stages. (7) During this time continue regular mowing.

Never underestimate the power of adequate feeding in building and maintaining a lawn. Bluegrass needs four feedings a year, spaced approximately in October, November, May, and June: Merion needs six feedings. Fescues do well on only two, October and April. Today's special lawn fertilizers, when applied according to directions on the package, offer very little threat of burning. Many have a slow-release feature that helps to give uniform growth from feeding to feeding.

Lawn watering tips

In the absence of sufficient rainfall, the rule is to water deeply—to a depth of about six inches—and not again until the grass first shows signs of wilting. Avoid frequent shallow sprinkling because it encourages surface rooting and increases the possibility of disease. Contrary to widespread belief, it is not harmful to water at night.

In an average season, there isn't a lawn in America that doesn't need supplementary watering. Unless you live in an unusually wet climate, the best way to accomplish this is by installing one of the underground sprinkling systems available today. These include a timer that can be set to water the lawn automatically, even when you are away.

The automated lawn

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When you mow your lawn, be sure the cutting blade is sharp. Otherwise it will cut unevenly, literally chewing off and damaging the grass. Mow frequently, so that no more than ¼ to ⅓ of the leaf surface is removed at any given time. Grass kept at 1 to 1½ inches should have no more than ½ inch removed at a given mowing. In very hot weather leave the grass about an inch longer than usual. In the fall, mow until freeze-up so that the grass doesn't go into winter so tall that it mats.

Use a mower large enough to accomplish the job in reasonable time. If you have anything approaching an acre or more in grass, use a rider or tractor-type mower. Today's best mowers of all types have key electric starting so that they can be turned on as easily as a car.

When grass is growing actively, catch and remove the clippings. This helps avoid the buildup of thatch that can eventually prevent water and food from reaching grass roots.

Coping with lawn weeds

Weedkillers, or herbicides, are invaluable in the building and maintenance of a lawn, but they can never substitute for correct cultural practices. However, if your lawn seems to be so crowded with weeds that there is no place for grass to expand, a weedkiller is in order.

Most broadleaf weeds will succumb to an application or two of 2,4-D. Use Silvex (2,4,5-TP) for such stubborn weeds as wild onion, chickweed, henbit, and white clover (if you consider it a weed). Dicamba is best for controlling sheep sorrel, creeping spurge, and knotweed. Apply when growth is active, the days generally warm and sunny. Early fall is one excellent time, especially in crabgrass country; spring-killed broadleaf weeds leave a place for crabgrass to grow; fall-killed weeds give grass time to grow before the crabgrass. Otherwise, spring is an excellent time to apply weedkillers.

Stop crabgrass early

Where crabgrass is a problem, use one of the pre-emergent controls in early spring, before crabgrass begins to sprout. You will find a supply of these at your local lawn and garden center. The chief ingredient may be DCPA (Dacthal), Bensulide, Presan, Betasan, Terbutal, Azak, Siduron, or Tupersan. Only the last two mentioned can be used immediately before, at time of, or immediately after seeding without injury to the lawngrass seedlings.

Post-emergence killers of crabgrass are sold under various trade names at local garden centers in midsummer. They are usually formulations of DSMA or MSMA and treatment will be required

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Growing grass in the shade re...quires a different approach than ...growing it without competition in sunny, open ground. Feed at two or three times the normal rate. Water deeply but only when necessary. Maintain pH in favor of the grass: don't let it become extremely acid. Remove overhanging tree branches, to 10 feet from the ground if possible, and thin above this point as much as is desirable for the health and appearance of the trees. Mow the grass higher than usual. Apply fungicides when disease is noted.

Lawns in the South

Southern or warm-season grasses are usually started in the spring or early summer. Start bermuda, carpet, centipede, and *Zoysia japonica* from seeds or sprigs. Start Emerald and Meyer zoysias, and St. Augustine from sprigs. Whenever frosted, these grasses turn quite brown: for green lawns in winter, they can be overseeded in fall with domestic ryegrass, excepting centipede, which forms a turf that is too dense.

Feed Southern grasses at least twice each year, in spring and summer. Remove thatch in the early spring, about the time grass begins to green up. This raking is especially important for heavily fed lawns where clippings are never caught.

In general among Southern grasses, carpetgrass needs more water, zoysia and St. Augustine more fertilizer, and centipede requires the least maintenance. Zoysia and St. Augustine are the most shade-tolerant.

There are a number of improved bermuda grasses available. Tifdwarf has tiny leaves that hug the ground: quarter-inch cutting is possible. It is darker green and a little more winter-hardy, requires less fertilizer and less mowing than Tifgreen, a larger version. Tiflawn spreads faster than common bermuda, and will eventually crowd it out when introduced into an old lawn. Compared to Tifgreen, Tiflawn stays green longer, is more drought-resistant and shade-tolerant at two- and three-inch height, but is not as cold hardy. The hardiest strain of bermuda is U-3, which grows north to Nebraska. ■

The laundry dollar well spent

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and has its own controls. Linens that require bleaching and those that don't: white sheets and colored clothing; delicate lingerie and dirty blue jeans: such combinations can be washed simultaneously, for there is no interchange of water. Consider what this doubling up of assorted wash loads can mean in a saving of time.

The space problem

Ideally, laundry appliances should be installed in the bedroom-bath area, but eleven square feet of floor space (the minimum) isn't always available. There is, of course, the combination washer-dryer that does both jobs at once. (General Electric, Philco-Ford, and Sears Roebuck). There is also a stackable washer and dryer (Westinghouse), and a small portable dryer useful where space is limited (Maytag). But none of these has answered every need.

A new approach, pioneered by Frigidaire, is a single compact cabinet only two feet wide, 5½′ high, and 28″ deep, that houses a separate washer and dryer. The entire unit can go into a small closet. This will be introduced later this year.

Permanent-press

Predictions are that within two years over half of all furnishings fabrics, linens, and wearing apparel will be made of permanent-press materials. By 1980, it is estimated that 90 percent of all clothing and 75 percent of household linens and furnishings will be home-launderable. Obviously, the home laundry will be even more important than it is today.

Whether or not you and I personally press the button or turn the dials on the washer and dryer, it is important to know what today's equipment can do. Only then can we be knowledgeable enough to choose properly the wide range of decorative easy-care fabrics becoming available. Today's appliances are engineered to fit these textiles.

Such well-known firms as Bates, Burlington, Cannon, Dan River, Fieldcrest, Martex, Pepperell, Springmaid, Wamsutta, and others are giving us more and more permanent-press curtains, table linens, sheets, bedspreads, and draperies. They cost a bit extra but in convenience, time-saving, and satisfaction, they are well worth the extra pennies.

You may have to search out some items, for clerks in retail stores are not always well informed on the subject. They often confuse "wash-and-wear" with the newer "permanent press." You may be told, as I have been, that there are no permanent-press bedspreads available, or that easy-care table linens are only drip-dry and still need ironing. Discount such comments and read the tags and labels that are attached to more and more permanent-press fabrics. More often than not, these will specifically state that machine washing and drying are essential for best results.

There may be some slight variation among permanent-press articles. You may find an item here and there that needs a bit of touch-up with an iron. However, properly processed permanent-press fabrics should need no ironing, with flat areas that remain flat and pleats or creases that last for the life of the fabric. ■

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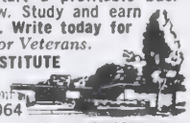
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One firm, Fedders, now offers snap-on electronic air cleaners for its room air conditioners. The extra cost: about $120.

Console cleaners are the only exception to the air-moving rule. They have their own fan.

Do air cleaners remove odors from house air? Not completely, but a goodly portion of the aromas are going to be sifted out. For example, tobacco smoke and most cooking smells are carried on tiny particles of oil attached, in turn, to minute specks of dust. When the cleaner precipitates out dust, these odors go with it.

One more step—addition of a charcoal filter in the air-moving duct—will bring your house as close to odor free as is possible presently.

How much cost will an electronic air cleaner add to the operation of the total system? About the same amount of money it takes to burn one 25-watt bulb.

Humidifiers

Humidity *balance* is the important function of a total comfort system.

If you've lived in an un-humidified house where cold winters are normal, you know the effects of dry house air: noses and throats feel dry and scratchy; skin itches; furniture joints open; sometimes plaster cracks; and static electricity builds up to a point where you can't take three steps and touch metal without getting a shock.

Simply squirting a spray of water from a $20 or $35 non-power humidifier into the stream of ducted warm air doesn't solve the problem. These gadgets cake up quickly with calcium deposits in a hard water zone. But more important, you have no real control over the amount of moisture coming into your house air. Too little moisture barely changes the conditions you're trying to correct. Too much condenses on cold windows, and turns sills into a soppy mess.

True power humidifiers, or the electronic, self-cleaning type (see "Ideas to Build on," HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, October, 1968) are precision instruments, easily controlled by a humidistat—and that's the key. Just as a thermostat maintains temperature at a comfortable level, so a humidistat keeps just enough moisture in the air to banish that dry feeling, but not so much that it begins to condense out on windows, and even walls. The humidistat is installed normally alongside the thermostat, and the new controls are even more sensitive to varying needs for moisture in the house than in the past. For example, if water vapor from a hot shower upset the humidity balance, the control would signal the humidifier and restore the proper balance quickly.

These new humidifiers are attached to the air-moving duct in the system. In a residence not heated by air, a power humidifier —still controlled by a humidistat —is installed separately, and through piping, directs moisture to a central location, such as the living room. From that point, once the humidifier is turned on, moisture will disperse throughout the house in less than 15 minutes.

What about cost? Installed cost runs from around $135 to $200—toward the low end when i part of a total comfort packa toward the high end when i added to an existing system.

Heating and cooling

As mentioned above, total c fort systems can be adapted t house with any type of heatin warm air, hot water, radiant e tricity. But an air-moving syst is the most practical, and wh installed correctly, better fu tioning. Moreover, it is the le costly. This is especially t when one of the packaged s tems is planned from the beg ning for a new house.

Just what is the cost? Start with the assumption that house contains around 2 square feet, and requires appr imately 5 tons of air conditioni cost for warm air heating, co ing, power humidification a electronic air cleaning, comple ly installed, instrument controll and ready to operate: less th $3,500, the price of a decent today.

If hot water heating is instal and the cooling system duct separately, you should expect increase of at least 10 percent the price.

By all means, an air movi system, for total comfort, shou be adjusted for continuous circulation, called "CAC" by t contractor (see "Indoor Comf All Winter," HOUSE BEAUTIFU February, 1968).

To find out who makes equi ment for total comfort systems t day, who offers booklets on t subject, and where you can ta to someone locally about it, se a self-addressed, stamped env ope to: Total Comfort, Roo 932, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, 717 Fif Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022.

Quality or not?

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damp spots. Next, look closely for water stains—a slight discoloration on the concrete, appearing much like hard water rings around a bathtub. Finally—the acid test—go to the house late into or immediately after a rainstorm: head for the basement, and if you see nothing but dry walls and floors, feel reasonably certain basement flooding won't be a problem in that house.

Summary

In regions where termites are plentiful, soil poisoning beneath and around the foundation of the house shows a conscientiousness on the part of the builder. Quality brand names on heating and air conditioning equipment, ranges, dishwashers, ovens, and other appliances naturally indicate a continuing high level of construction. These are two of many more parts and pieces of a house which could rightly be included in this guide.

But the elements discussed constitute enough of a grasp on the condition of the whole house to make an intelligent decision. Certainly if everything named as clue to quality is present in th house you're examining, you ca be nearly 100 percent assured th entire structure has been bui with care and precision. If one two aspects fall below top grad you still shouldn't wash out th house as a possibility on you list. But more than a few breal downs in these signs to qualit and you had better proceed wit extreme caution. The house yo buy, in that case, could becom an economic millstone aroun your neck. ■

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t you can do t burglars

lary is the most frequently itted offense in the crime in- accounting for almost half of ted crimes. Even when a lar is arrested, brought to and convicted, it does not w that your property will be red. What you can do about lars, generally speaking, has e done before the burglar s.

oid carelessness. Many of homes that are robbed each offer the burglar no prob- of entry, since they are un- ed. Many people feel inhib- living under lock and key, with the present burglary in the United States—one y 32 seconds—caution is the er part of valor. You should er leave your house unlocked pecially the back door) even n you are in it. If you are king in the garden or the ement or the attic or an up- rs room, lock the doors. If go next door to visit, out on errand, or take a walk, lock doors. Don't leave a note ned to the screen door ex- ining your plans or proving t you are away. Don't hide r keys in time-honored loca- s such as under the doormat, ledges over the door or win- , in a flowerpot or the mail , or behind a post. The bur- r checks these automatically. you don't plan to carry your s, be more original.

If you are leaving your house pty for any length of time, in- m the police when you plan to ve and when you plan to re- n. Stop all deliveries. If you ve a mailbox that hangs on the tside of the house, replace it th a slot which permits the il to fall inside the door.

Invest in good locks. Cheap cks are the burglar's greatest d. The mechanism of a cheap ring lock can be destroyed mply by twisting the doorknob arply or by inserting a screw- iver in the keyhole or by the e of a celluloid or plastic card. any apartments are equipped ith these fragile locks, which fer little protection. An inex- ensive mechanism called a deadlatch, which can be purchased at a hardware store and installed by a handyman, will prevent the lock being sprung as described above.

There are a variety of expertly made, secure locks on the market that offer attractive design as well as protection. Cylinder-type locks are recommended by the International Association of Police Chiefs. A deadbolt—a sliding bolt that locks with a key—mounted on the door above your regular lock, doubles protection. A good deadbolt is hard to pick in the time a burglar has to spend getting in, and costs only about $15. A chain lock is also effective and is recommended for bedroom doors.

Good locks, properly installed, cost more but are worth the investment. To protect a house adequately, all outside doors should be equipped with proper locks. If you have to stint, concentrate on the back door and basement entrance. Many people install a fine lock on the front door, which burglars rarely use, and put a "skeleton" lock on the basement door. A skeleton lock can be opened with practically anything—a hairpin, paper clip, toothpick, or any skeleton key. Don't settle for a flimsy lock on the garage door, which burglars also favor as a means of entrance.

Windows, French doors, sliding doors, and jalousie doors should all be protected by locks that can be opened only from the inside. A deadbolt safety lock suitably placed cannot be picked by a burglar, even if he breaks the glass.

Control of keys is important. Do not distribute keys freely among household help or even relatives or friends. A house key on your car key ring may tempt parking-lot attendants to have it reproduced. Key rings should bear no identifying marks and certainly no address, in case they are lost. When identifiable keys are lost, all locks should be changed immediately.

Install alarms. The most primitive and one of the most effective alarm systems is a high-strung dog. Professionally trained watchdogs are not recommended by either their trainers or the police for family residences where there are children and people who come and go, but a nervous little dog that yaps at the slightest sound and continues to bark is anathema to a burglar.

For a more sophisticated approach there are numerous dependable alarm devices that emit ear-piercing bell or siren noises when doors or windows are broached. These range in price from $3.95 to hundreds of dollars and vary from a small, battery-powered mechanism mounted on a door to elaborate electronic systems, radar waves, invisible lights, hidden "eyes," automatic telephone dialers, and housewide intercoms. The simpler devices are easy to install—one is simply hung on a doorknob—and may be plugged into a normal outlet.

More complex, expensive, and satisfactory are total alarm installations by such organizations as the Holmes Electric Protective System or the ADT Residential Burglar Alarm System, where the alarm summons private police to the scene within about eight minutes. The small sticker placed on a window or door indicating that a house is protected by such a service is apt to change a burglar's mind. Such installations, which deal with all apertures of a house, carry a suitable installation fee and a monthly service charge.

Cooperate with the police. The police are the best allies, and acquaintance with the local force is a good program. Most communities have police arrangements for checking homes when owners are absent, so make a point of advising them. Patrol cars making routine checks may not flush out a robber, but burglars are apt to recognize a police-protected house and avoid it.

Establish a good-neighbor policy. A trusted neighbor is a tremendous advantage when it comes to discouraging a burglar. Neighbors cannot be expected to provide protective services unless you make a definite arrangement and provide them with your itinerary. A mutual plan, where you perform the same function when a neighbor is away from home, is logical.

Watch your tongue. While most burglars continue to invade empty houses, there are increasing reports of hold-up men who break and enter and terrorize the occupants of a house. Young, violent, and even sadistic, these criminals may choose victims on the basis of careless conversation, a tendency to discuss your

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Have adequate insurance. The possibilities of reclaiming stolen property are not enormous. Insurance will not restore your physical valuables, but it will provide protection against financial loss. The typical homeowners' insurance policy covers loss by burglary up to 40 percent of the amount of the policy. If your home is insured for $25,000, burglary protection on the contents of your home would amount to about $10,000. This coverage would pay for missing valuables on a depreciated basis. Valuable items such as furs, jewels, silver, paintings, and fine art works should be covered with a special floater or fine-arts policy that will provide full-value coverage.

An inventory of the contents of your home is invaluable if you are robbed. The victim of a burglary cannot immediately remember all he has lost, and the insurance company will require an itemized, descriptive list. Jewels should be appraised by a responsible authority. When you buy new jewelry, ask the jeweler for a description and appraisal when you buy it. Responsible appraisals of furs are more difficult to obtain, but you should know the original cost. A list of serial numbers of all possessions which have such numbers should be kept. Typewriters, watches, clocks, phonographs, small appliances, and other things can be identified by these numbers and may result in their restoration.

Protect both your houses. More and more Americans are becoming two-home families. This means that one residence is almost invariably untenanted. All the measures discussed here can be applied, but the weekend house offers special problems wherever it is located. The professional burglar or the vandal can easily realize that a house is empty five days of the week.

The best protection for such houses is a full-time caretaker. Next best is a periodic check by a private agency or an arrangement with the police to patrol the premises at intervals. A total alarm system is also effective.

Posting of trespass notices a the offer of a reward for inf mation leading to the arrest anyone committing burglary m deter the housebreaker. The ward can be small but the p chological effect on the would- burglar will be salubrious. arrangement with a full-ti neighbor to keep an eye on t house may be the best solution you do not happen to have caretaker.

Lights in a house will det even the burglar who has do his homework. For a vacati house it is a good idea to inv in timers or photoelectric e devices that will turn on t lights at stipulated times. ways use at least two 40-wa lights in separated areas of t house. Timers can be set to tu these lights on at different hour giving an impression of mov ment in the house, and to tu them off in the daytime. Time can also be attached to the radi or a tape recorder to recreat the sounds of music and conve sation in an empty house.

When drawing shades, blind or curtains, try to achieve a loo of normal occupancy. Window blanked out by fully draw blinds or curtains are a tip-o that the house is deserted.

Don't leave portable valuable in a weekend house. There is al ways a qualified risk involved i paintings or objects of art in decoration scheme, but burglar are less likely to steal such things because they are hard t dispose of, easy to identify. Fine silver will prove much more at tractive.

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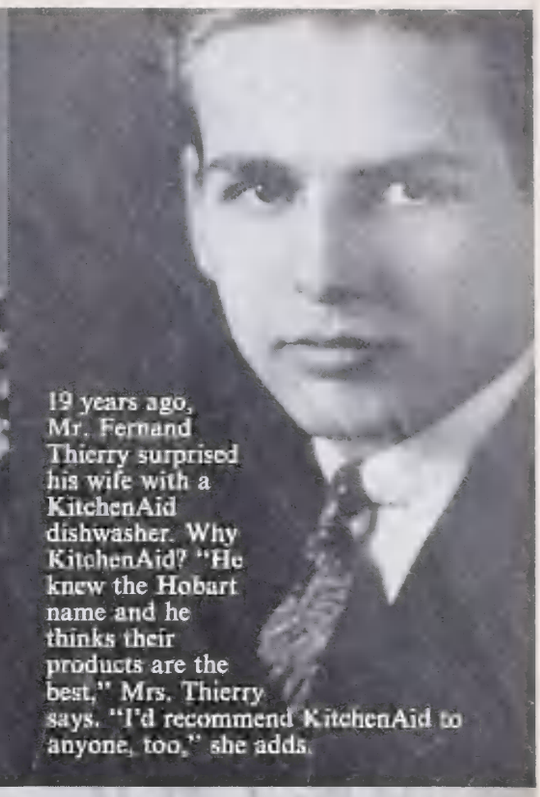
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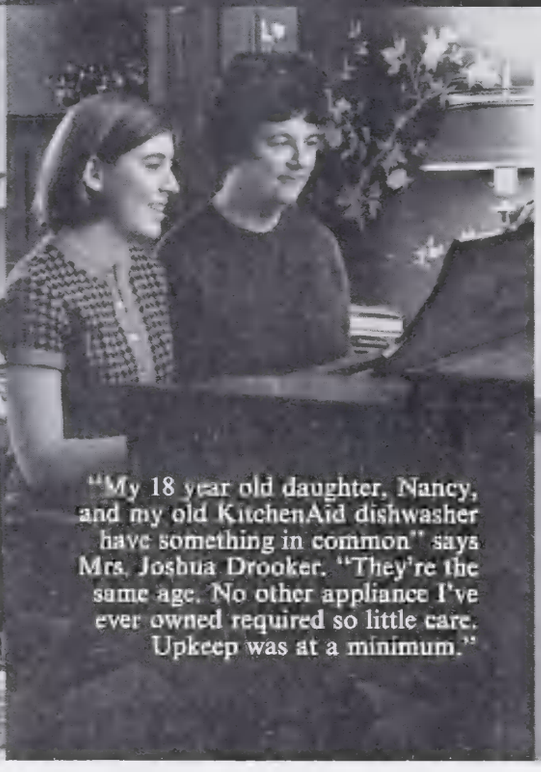
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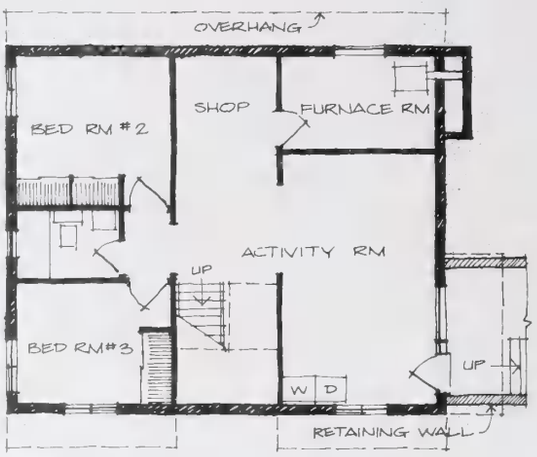


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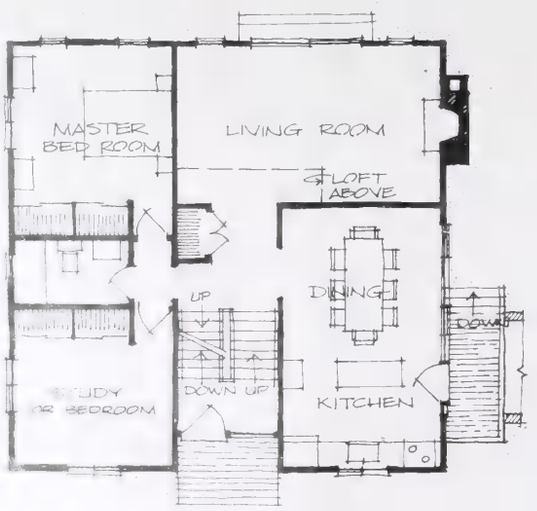
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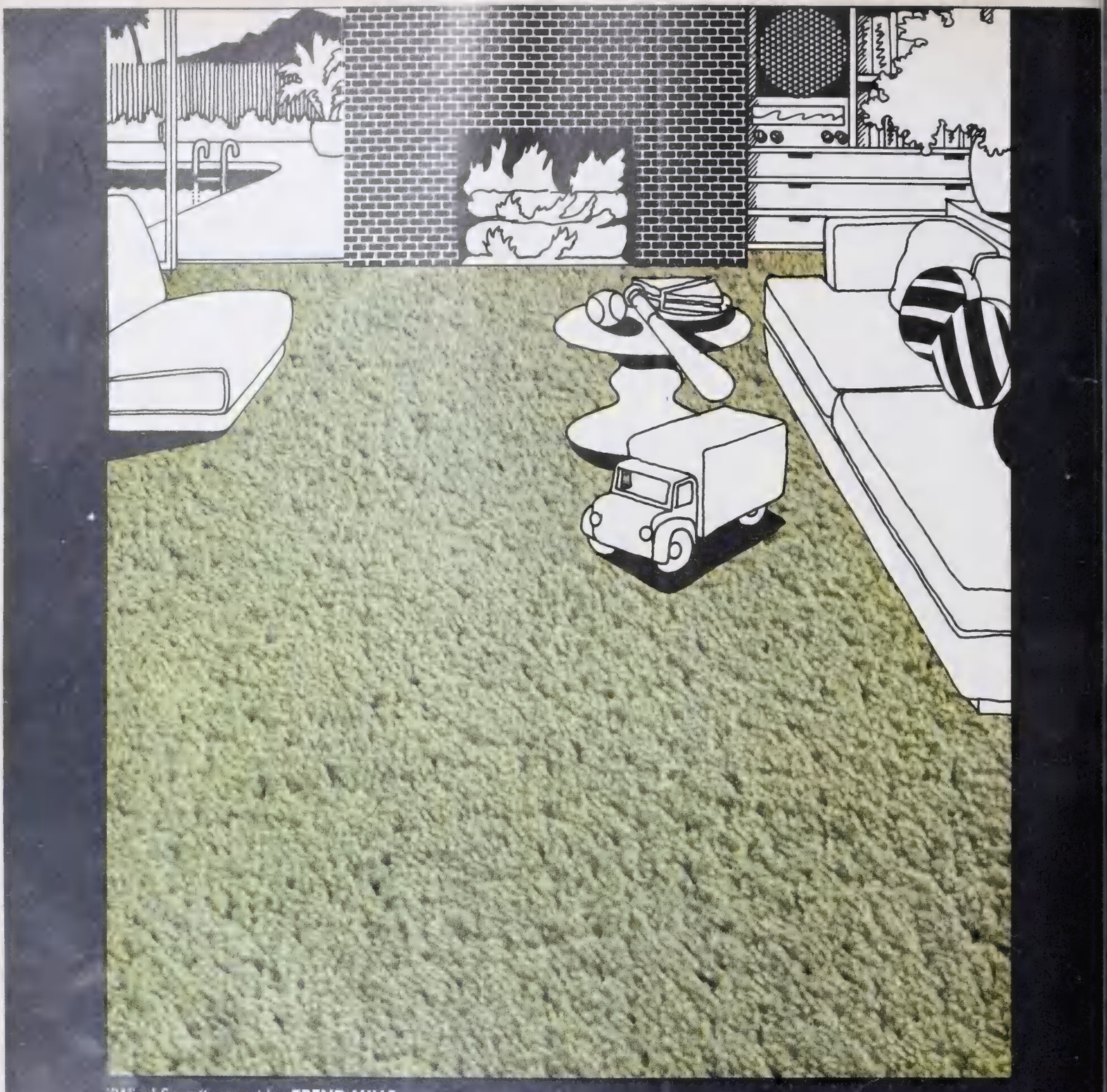
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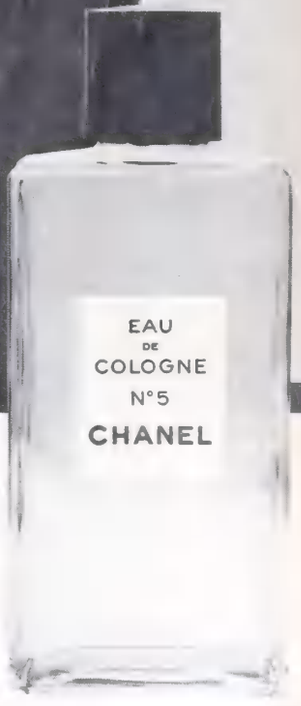
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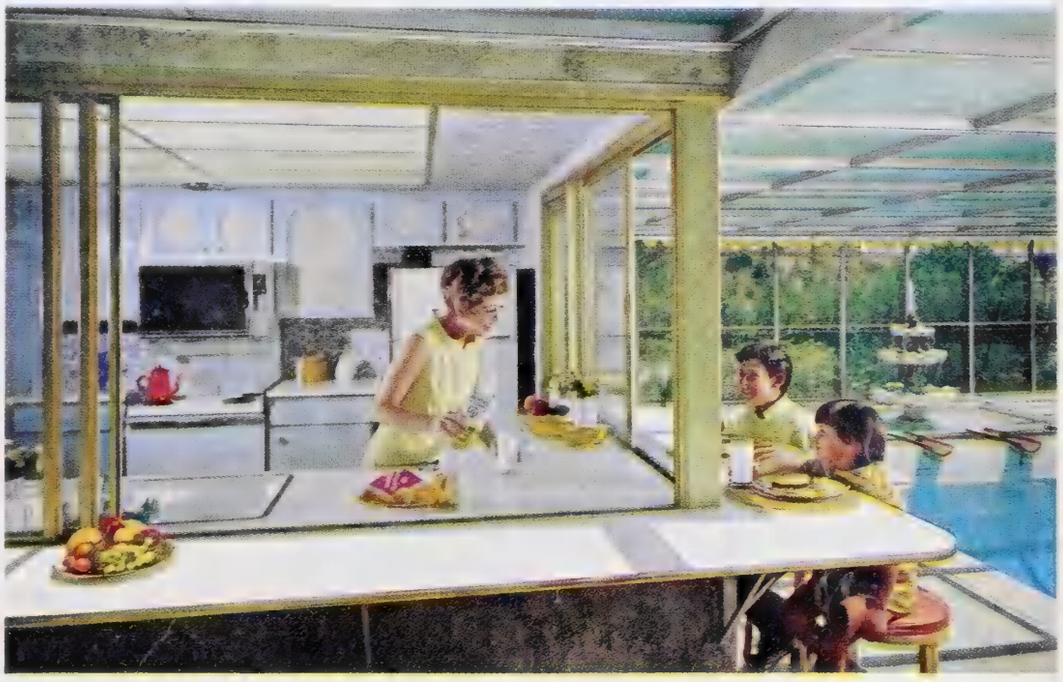
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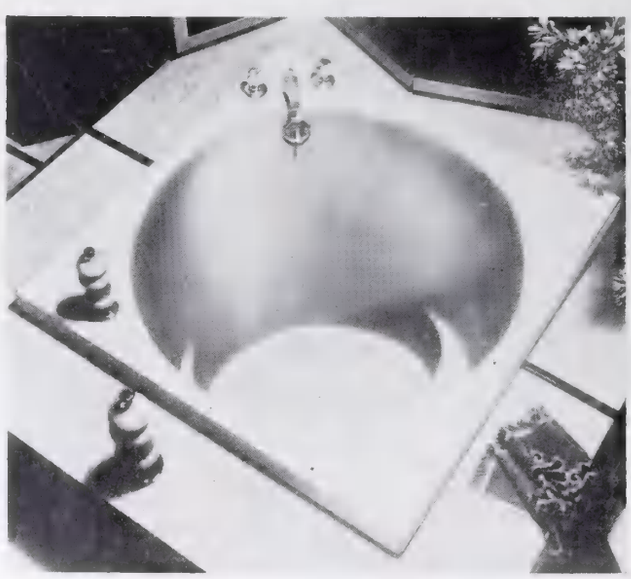
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BEAUTY AND THE BATH

A springtime blooming of refreshers

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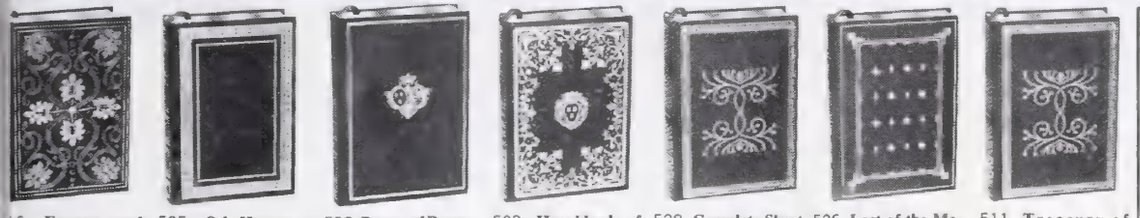
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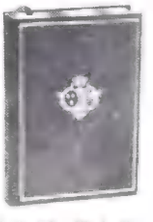
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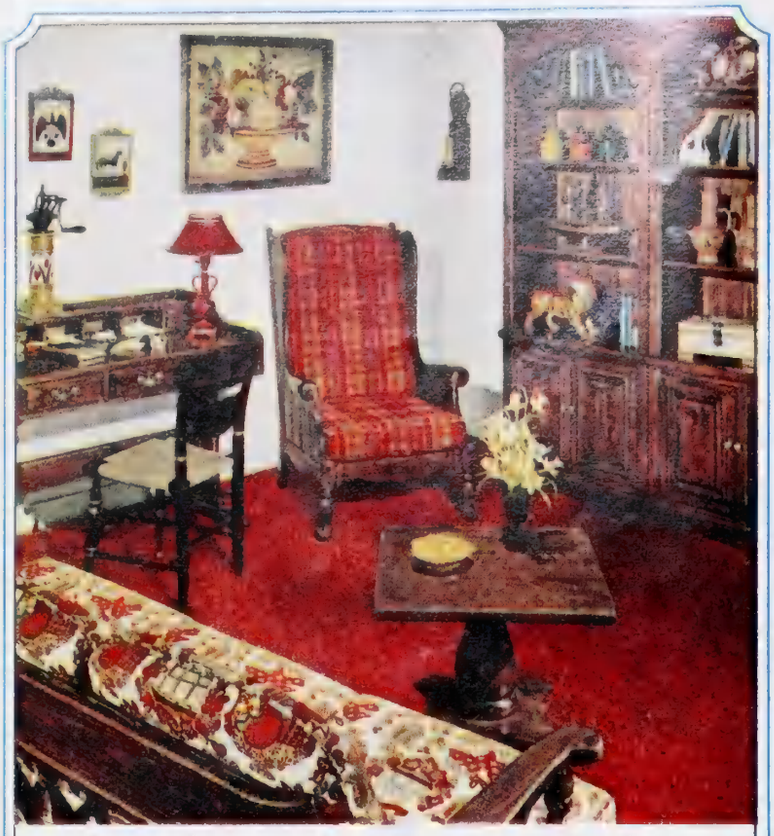


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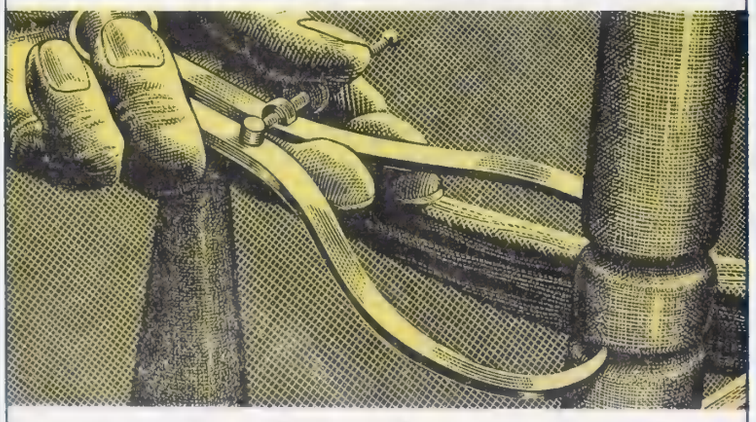
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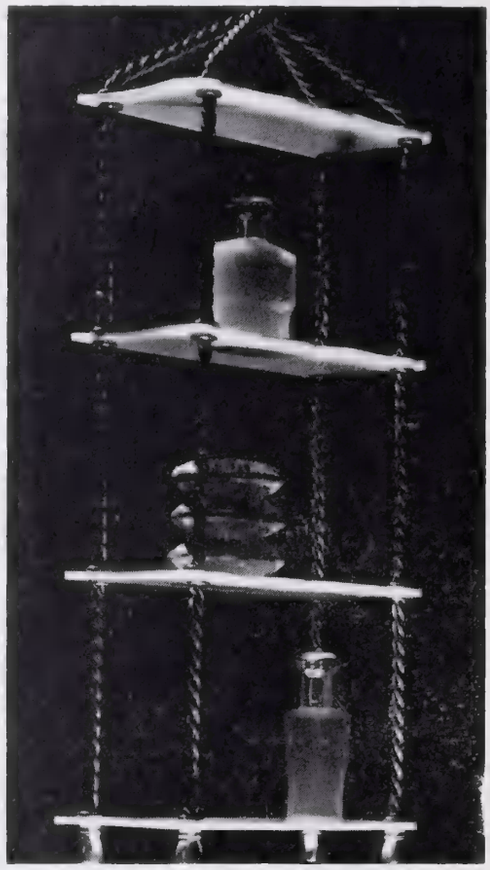
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Shulton's modern Oriental fragrance, Taji, presented in three appealing ways. On the top shelf, the creamy form, Sheer Taji, to smooth all over the body; next, cakes of scented soap; then Chiffon Spray Cologne. The marble and brass hanging shelf comes from the Carlin Shop, Saks Fifth Avenue.



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The T-square table, available in some unique finishes, will complement a variety of settings. Stand it [illegible] line it against a wall, for example.

By Nancy Craig

The instant hot cup, the immediate cube

Two bright new concepts in kitchen convenience

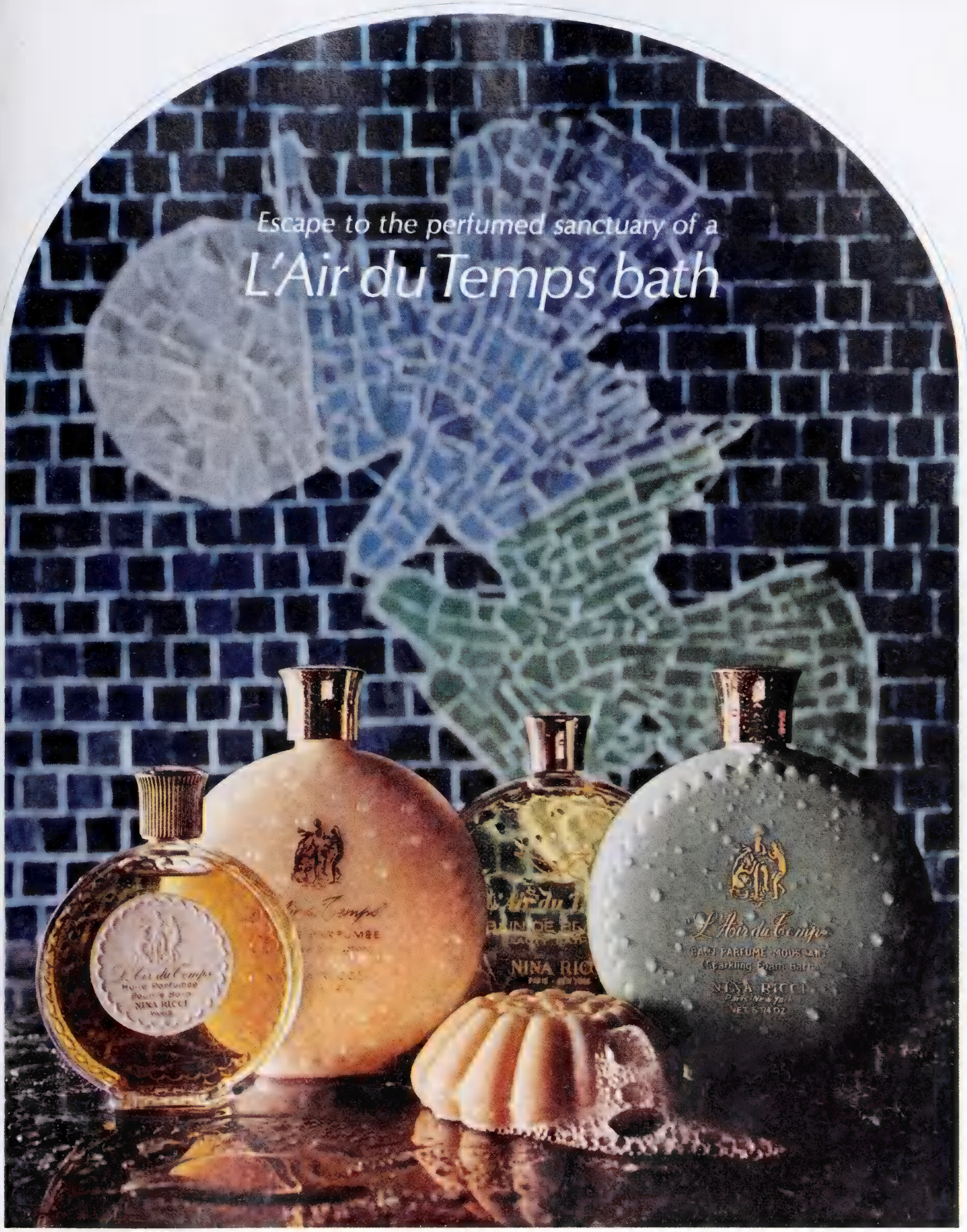




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Immerse yourself in your favorite fragrance. Splash L'Air du Temps Sparkling Foam Bath under the tap of your tub and you're adrift in fragrant blue bubbles. Or swish in a few drops of L'Air du Temps Bath Oil and you're silken-smooth all over. Or just luxuriate with a cake of L'Air du Temps Savon. Afterwards stroke on Crème Parfumée to soften and scent you lingeringly. Pat on a delicious pouf of Dusting Powder. With L'Air du Temps any bath... Hot or cool, soak or shower... is instant serenity.

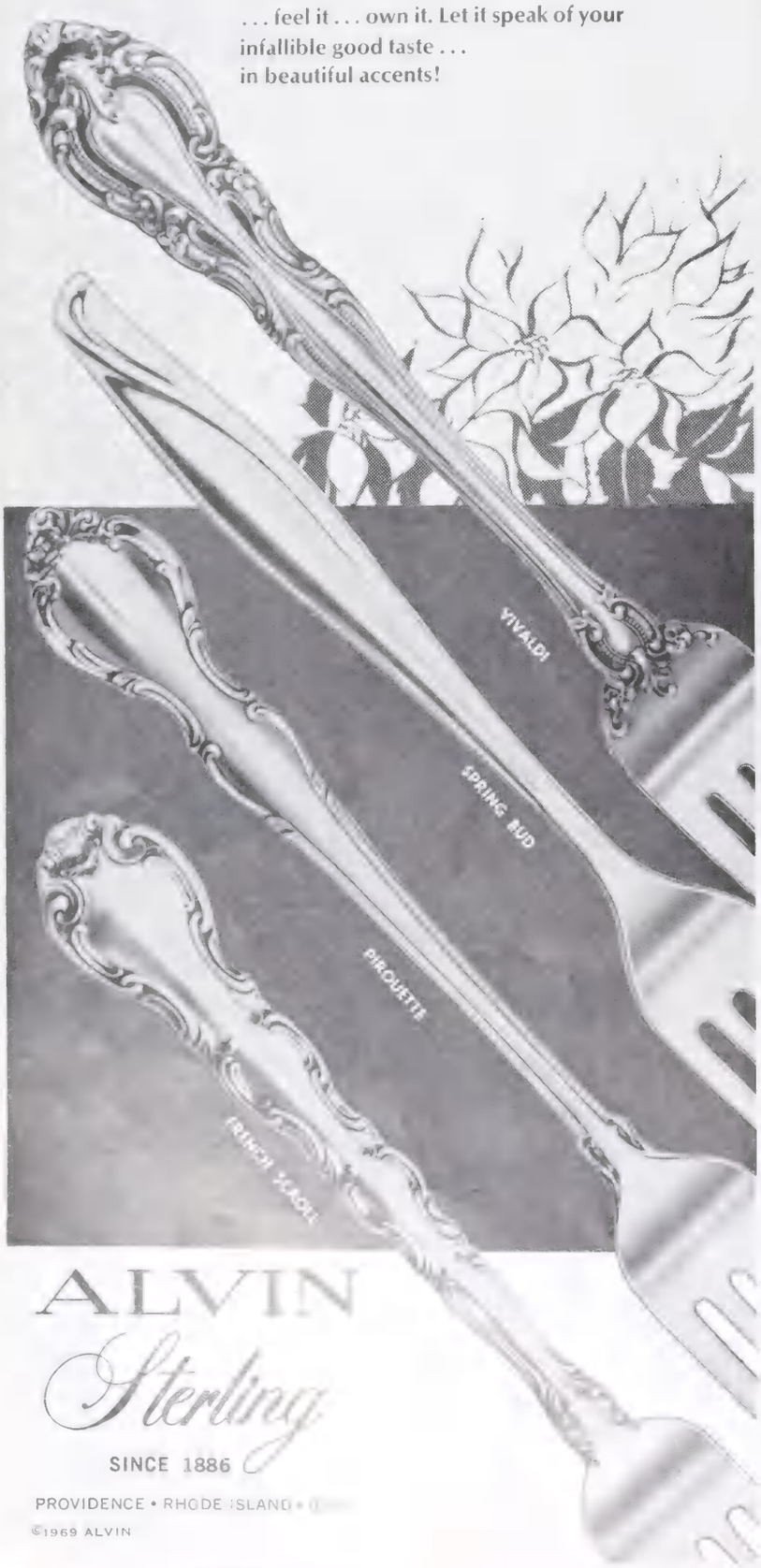
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Sparkling Foam Bath, 5¾ ozs., $6. Bath Oil, from ¼ oz. $4. Soap, 3 cakes, $6.50. Crème Parfumée, ¼ oz. $5.50. Crème Parfumée Paste, Sachet, from ¼ oz. $6.50. Dusting Powder, 4 oz. $6.50.

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The instant hot cup, the immediate cube

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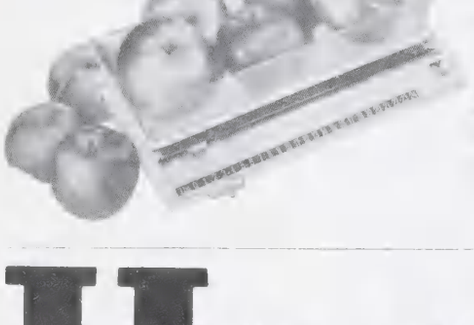


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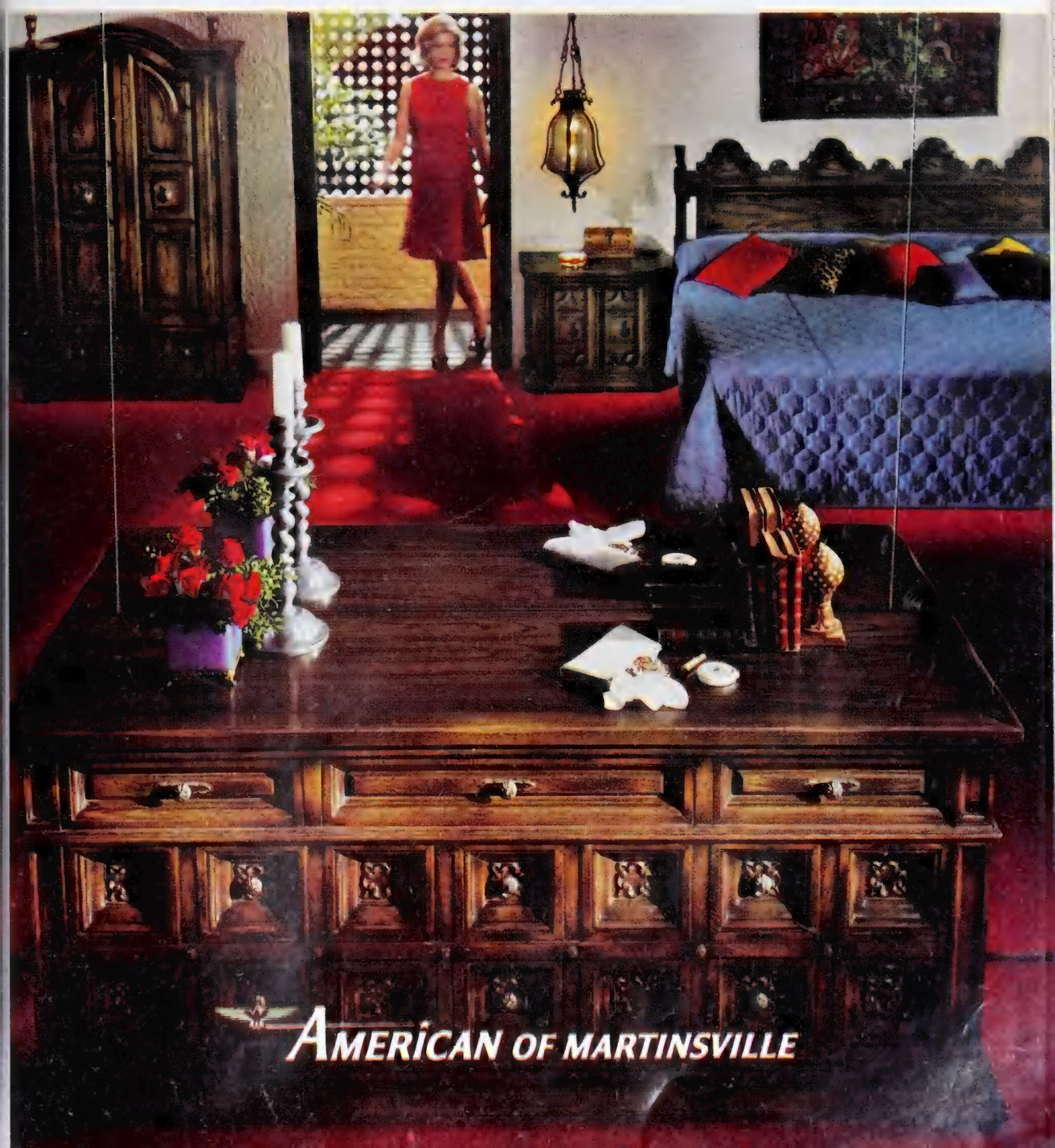
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By Helen McCully

Nobody ever tells you these things . . . about food and drink

What is margarine?

"A food fat, generally made by blending selected fats and oils (soybean, cottonseed, corn, and safflower) with some form of milk or cream (which gives its flavor) and other ingredients to produce the desired flavor, consistency, and composition." Cornell University's Consumer Education Program (N.Y.C.) tells us. By federal law, margarine (once called oleomargarine) must contain 80 percent fat. All margarine is fortified with a prescribed amount of vitamin A: some margarines also have vitamin D added. Coloring is also added.

How many types of margarine are there?

There are six: regular, whipped, soft, premium, unsalted, and the low-calorie or diet spreads. *Regular* margarines, all-purpose, usually cost less than other types since they are generally made from soybean or cottonseed, the least expensive oils. *Whipped* margarine has inert gases injected into it to increase its volume 50 percent. Softer than regular margarine, it is easier to spread. Use as you would regular. It is packed six sticks to a one-pound package. *Soft* margarine has a much softer consistency than regular because of its higher liquid oil content. This is also why soft margarines have a higher proportion of polyunsaturated fats. This extra softness increases its spreadability and blendability. Packaged in two ½-pound tubs. *Premium* margarines, made from more expensive oils, have a delicate flavor, cost more than regular. Use as you would regular. *Unsalted* margarines are especially for people on sodium-restricted diets and those who prefer an unsalted table spread. Use as you would regular. *Regular, premium,* and *unsalted* margarines are all available in one-pound (four ¼-pound sticks) packages. *Low-calorie* or *diet spreads* are imitation margarines because they contain about half the fat content of regular. Not recommended for baking. Special precautions must be taken for pan-frying because of high water content. Available in two ½-pound tubs.

How do you make a good cup of tea?

Freshly boiled water and an immaculate cup or teapot are prerequisites. Bring fresh, cold tap water to a rolling boil. Preheat the cup by rinsing it out with hot water. Add one level teaspoon of loose tea or one teabag to a teacup. To make tea in a pot, rinse out the pot with boiling water, add six level teaspoons (or six teabags) to a six-cup pot. Fill with boiling water. Always allow the tea to steep three to five minutes, and stir before pouring.

What makes black, oolong, and green tea different?

They all come from the same tea bush but they are treated differently after picking. *Black tea* is oxidized, turning the leaves black and producing a rich, hearty flavor. *Oolong tea* (usually found in stores specializing in fine foods), semi-oxidized, has partly brown and partly green leaves. The brew is much lighter in color. *Green tea*, not oxidized, has green leaves and it, too, brews light.

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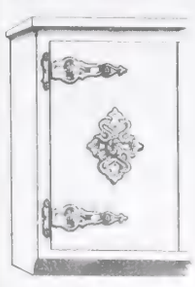
By Barbara Reed

Have you reached the point where you can't bear to spend another day in your drab old kitchen? Well, take heart... and a trip to your nearby hardware dealer. You'll be surprised at how inexpensively you can re-do those tired old cabinets.

Maybe you've marveled at the popular Mediterranean look. Why not have it? Those glorious effects you've seen in model homes aren't as hard to come by as you might think.

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Nobody ever tells you these things . . . about food and drink

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What flour is used for pâte feuilletée?

Cook books on the whole are not consistent in designating the type of flour to use in making puff pastry. Bread flour, pastry flour, enriched flour, all-purpose, and instant blending are all called for in one book or another. Since both bread and pastry flour are used chiefly by industrial bakers, they are not readily available to the consumer. Enriched flour is *any* white flour to which vitamins and minerals have been added so, in a sense, it is meaningless terminology. Both all-purpose, also known as general-purpose, and instant blending, also an all-purpose flour, are usually enriched. Although the modern all-purpose flours no longer need sifting before measuring, their structure is quite different from that of instant blending which, because of its microscopically fine, sand-like texture, runs through a sifter like water and in water or liquid dissolves instantly—hence the name.

In testing our recipe for *pâte feuilletée*, page 109, we used both all-purpose and Wondra*. General Mills' instant blending all-purpose flour. Like Julia Child, author of *The French Chef Cookbook*, and André Soltner, M.O.F. (*Premier Cuisinier* and Executive Chef at Lutèce, one of New York's great restaurants), we had extraordinary success with instant blending flour. The dough is extremely flexible, rolls and "turns" easily, and the end result is a flaky, light-as-a-feather, tender crust.

*Wondra is available in 2- and 5-pound bags; Pillsbury's instant blending, called Sauce and Gravy Flour, comes in 13½-ounce shaker cans; and International's Robin Hood Instant Blending Flour in 2-, 5- and 10-pound bags.

How do you roll pastry properly?

Dust the cloth and stocking (see equipment, page 118) or board and pin, as the case may be, lightly with flour. The technique in rolling any pastry is to roll it lightly. With the exception of puff pastry which, in the preparation stages, is always rolled in a long strip, the ball of dough is placed on the floured surface, flattened (if it has been refrigerated, it will be firm), then rolled lightly from the center out to the edge in all directions, to make a circle of the desired size. Always lift the rolling pin as it nears the edge of the circle to keep the pastry from splitting or making it too thin. If the edge splits or cracks, pinch together or patch; if it sticks, loosen gently with a metal spatula, then lift and again flour the surface lightly.

Can you freeze pastry?

Yes. Roll into a ball, freeze, then wrap securely in suitable freezer wrappings. Thaw at room temperature. Pie shells, tarts, *bouchées* (page 110) can all be made, frozen, then wrapped and stored in freezer. The freezer life is almost indefinite. Thaw at room temperature, then follow baking instructions.

How long can you store unbaked pastry?

Roll the pastry into a ball, place in a polyethylene bag, all air squeezed out, securely tied; or wrap in Saran or foil, again securely. Refrigerate about eight or ten days. ■

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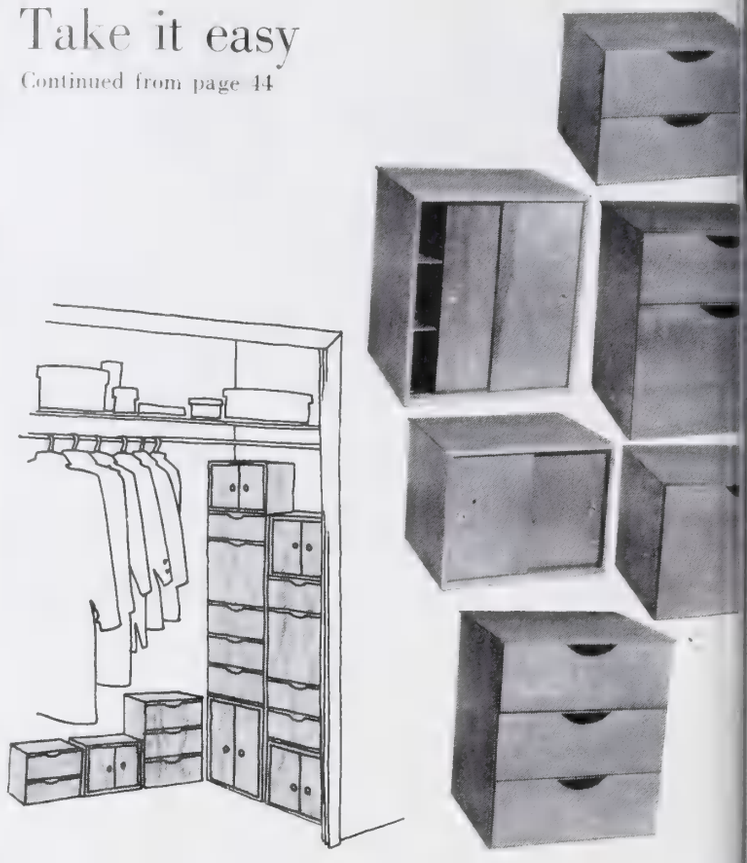
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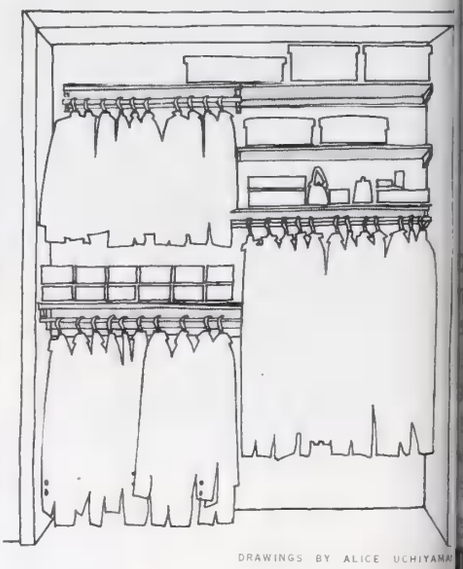
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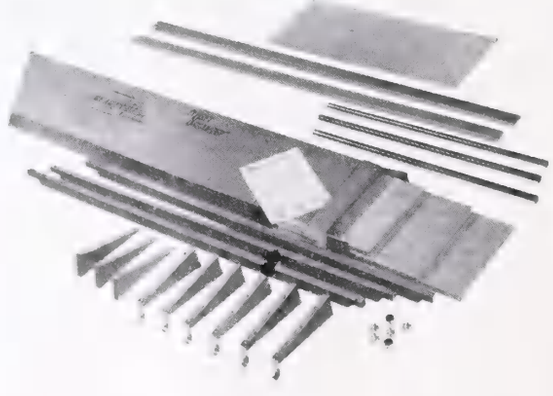


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New ways and new products to better your home: a current report by House Beautiful's Building Editor

Three-dimensional tile

Ceramic tile in deep relief, exhibiting intricate patterns reminiscent of Aztec designs, Spanish florals, or showing the swirls and lines of modern nonobjective paintings ought to be available now through your local tile contractor. Called Terra Vitra, it is the latest development from American-Olean, and a truly new and exciting direction for that company. The company's production in the past has been confined essentially to familiar ceramic mosaics, and standard-size ceramic tile (4¼″ by 4¼″), along with quarry tile and accessories. This new offering is produced in 9″ by 9″ and 12″ by 12″ sizes, and is nominally ½″ thick. You could have it applied to a foyer floor (or any other floor inside your home), walls, and anywhere outside the house: patio, exterior wall, garden path.

There are nine designs in all, each of which is produced in any one of eight colors, running in the blue, rust, yellow, and brown families, along with an off-white. Installed cost is estimated at between $3 and $4 a square foot.

To obtain a handsome ten-page, full-color booklet called "Terra Vitra," describing the new tile, send your name and address and ten cents to cover mailing charges to American-Olean Tile Co., Lansdale, Pennsylvania 19446.

New bath walls . . . fast!

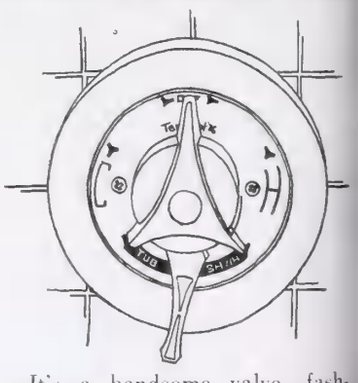
Now there's a way around the time-consuming and messy task of remodeling bath walls—a way to do it without waiting until you decide to update and refit the entire bath. Formica has come up with a panel and molding combination that can go over nearly any existing wall, including one with out-of-date tiles. The system calls for far less labor than tile work, and less even than demanded for other sheet materials. The secret: a cushion of semirigid polystyrene foam attached to the back of the laminated plastic surface. The foam compensates for minor irregularities on the existing wall, and in most cases gives the contractor freedom to install these panels directly over existing walls.

Called Panel System 202, the new materials are just as adaptable for a home under construction. Surfacing is presently offered in six reproductions of marble, eight colorful, wallpaper-like patterns, and four handsome wood grains. Moldings can either match or contrast with the panels. Once up, the paneling produces a surprisingly fresh décor for a bath. Moreover, owners who have had the paneling up on a test basis comment most on its cleanability, especially in the shower and tub area.

Non-scalding shower valve

A good idea for a new bath or one that you're remodeling. This valve protects you from being burned by a sudden burst of hot water from the shower, or frozen by a stream of icy water. The temperature you set is maintained no matter how the pressure in the lines changes.

Several brands have been on the plumbing suppliers' shelves—Moen, Crane, Powers. Now Symtrol Valve Co., 445 C St., Boston, Massachusetts 02210, joins the group with a valve it reports breaks the present price barrier, and which I feel deserves honors.



It's a handsome valve, fashioned with a contemporary flair in stainless steel (with bronze workings). The mixing valve itself makes a full, 360-degree turn from very cold to very hot, permitting quite a variety of temperature selections around the

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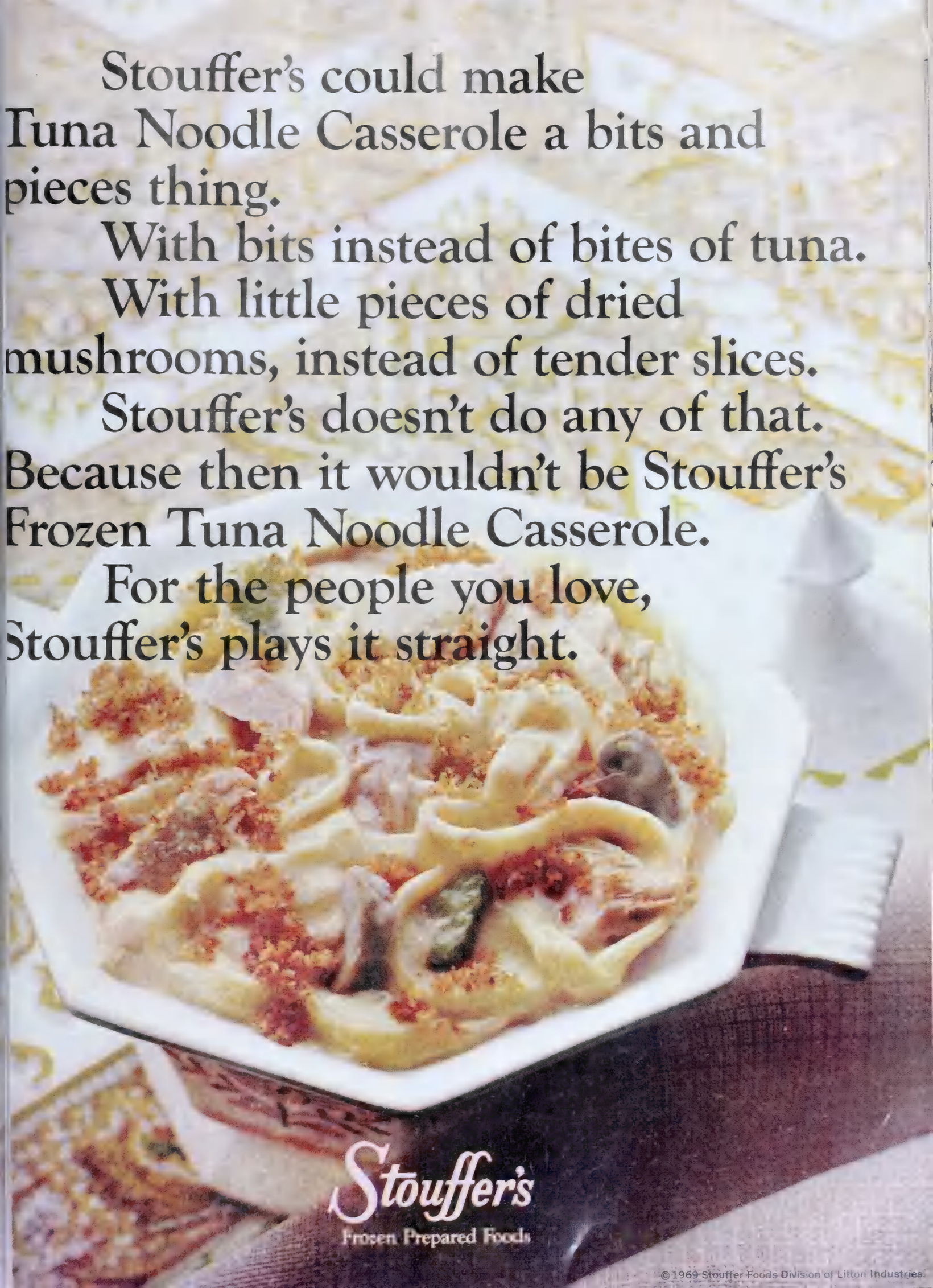
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band. The valve moves from cold to hot: can never be turned directly to hot. Below the mixer is a lever that diverts the flow from tub to shower and back again, while simultaneously controlling the volume of flow. The valve, called Temptrol '76, is sold separately: with shower head; with tub spout; or with both.

Growing-nation notes

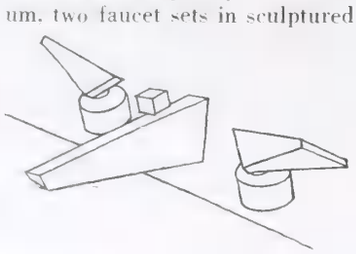
Here are a few conversation stoppers:

- By the end of 1969, the U.S. will contain nearly 70 million housing units, which figures out roughly to one for every three people. This compares with about the same ratio in Sweden: one for every 3.6 people in the United Kingdom: one for approximately every four people in Japan and West Germany. No figures available from the U.S.S.R. or China.
- During 1969, the average sale price of existing homes will be about $21,500: for new homes, around $25,500. (I wonder where they're hidden? Average houses I look at seem to be $40,000 and up. But then, I admit the reference is to *sale price* and not to house.)
- Close to half the new housing units built during 1969 will be apartments. Since the figure was far below that just half a dozen years ago, there's little question more people want to become apartment dwellers now.

Data comes from Catherine Martini, Director, Department of Research, National Assn. of Real Estate Boards.

For discriminating moderns

Looking very much like pieces from a contemporary art museum, two faucet sets in sculptured



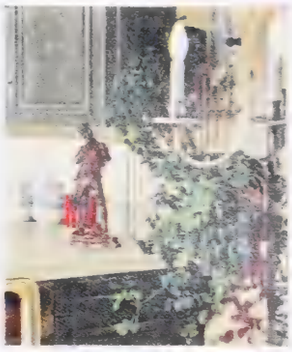
forms, finished in 24-carat gold-plate, brushed chrome, or pewter were designed recently by Sherle Wagner. The angular, multifaced designs very much resemble a Brancusi work. One set has lever handles and is called Dimensions; the other, with knob handles, is named Tangents. Both sets deserve the adjective "unique" since nothing like them is available here or in Europe. For more information and pricing, write to the company at 125 East 57th Street, New York, N.Y. 10022.

Five show stoppers

Back from the giant home-builders' exhibition in Houston (held in the Astrohall), here's a quick report on some quite fascinating advances for your bath and kitchen:

- A Japanese-styled soaking tub from American-Standard. Of fiberglass-reinforced plastic, the circular tub is 36″ in diameter at the top; has a seat about halfway down so you can sit and soak right up to your neck, and totals 32″ in depth. Shades of the old Saturday-night, galvanized-tub (photograph shown on page 16)
- A handsome, stainless-steel corner sink with its own built-in fluorescent light. From Elkay and called the Consolette, the new sink puts shadow-free illumination in an area that often is neglected by the builder.
- A stunning marbleized, one-piece counter and lavatory of vitreous china with the marble pattern fired directly into the china—a brand-new process. Also featured on this unit, called Royale and from Crane, is a third valve to start a flushing spout around the rim—as you've seen in a dentist's sink. And one more exclusive Crane twist—two below-the-counter, recessed soap dishes. The entire counter measures 36″ by 22″; the bowl, 20″ by 19″.
- One more plumbing-fixture company has plunged into fiberglass equipment production. Borg-Warner began tentatively with a striking oval tub-and-shower combination installed in the Marre Ranch project in San Luis Obispo, California. So successful was the reception that the company has now gone into production of the unit.
- A kitchen faucet from Speakman that indicates by color what temperature water will flow from the spout. It's a single-handle model and displays a small oval opening on top, which shows red for the hottest water; blue for cold.——J.H.I.

for the woman with ideas of her own!

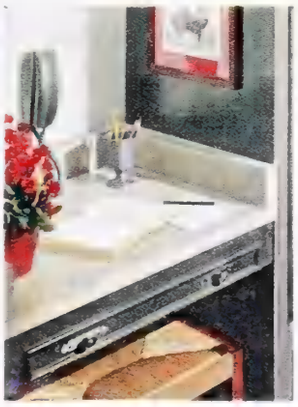






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34 quick ways to a shining house

Floors

• To clean and polish wood floors you can combine two steps in one with an instant-action naphtha-base wax that dry-cleans and leaves a hard, bright shine without buffing. Klear Wood. S.C. Johnson & Son, Racine, Wis. 53403.

• To spruce up resilient floors in five minutes, a self-shining spray-polish cleans as it spreads a thin film of wax that won't build up into layers, even with frequent use. Pronto. S.C. Johnson & Son.

• Wood, cork, vinyl, terrazzo, linoleum, and rubber tile (but not asphalt tile) floors are cleaned as they are waxed with a white cream, especially compatible with light-colored or white floors. It imparts a film that buffs to a mirror-bright shine (especially with an electric polisher). Can also be used on furniture, paneled walls, and woodwork. Beautiflor Wax. S.C. Johnson & Son.

■ On-the-knees waxing and hand-spreading are made passé by a self-polishing waxer with refillable 22-ounce container that releases wax in a controlled flow. For resilient floors. Controlled-Flow Floor Waxer. Bissell Inc., Grand Rapids, Mich. 49501.

■ In minutes, you can strip layer upon layer of accumulated wax and make sealed wood, asphalt, rubber tile, vinyl, vinyl-asbestos, and linoleum floors look like new, thanks to a powerful ammoniated liquid. Dyna-Strip. Dyna-Mist Chemical Co., Inc., Pennsauken, N.J. 08109.

• To penetrate stubborn deposits of grime and polish, a vinyl floor cleaner combines concentrated detergents with other powerful cleaning agents. Also for use on walls, bathroom fixtures, metal furniture, appliances. Spruce Up Floor Cleaner, sold by all flooring stores. Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa. 17604.

■ Aimed at buffer users, a non-yellowing water-emulsion polish for resilient floors can be buffed to diamond-brightness, which later can be restored by rebuffing. Lusterbuf. Sold by all flooring stores. Armstrong Cork Co.

Carpets and rugs

• To remove all greasy stains from hard-wear carpets, especially in kitchens, a spot-cleaner sprays on, dries to a powder, It brushes or vacuums off after 20 minutes, leaving no telltale ring. Also spot-cleans upholstery, drapery, and clothing. Spray Cleaner for Carpets and Fabrics. Bigelow Carpets and Rugs. 140 Madison Ave., N.Y.C. 10016.

• For do-it-yourselfers, a spray-on foam cleans and dries a 10'-by-14' rug in two to four hours with no extra equipment needed for working the foam into the rug pile except a damp sponge mop. Left to dry, foam and soil are removed with a vacuum cleaner. Glory Rug Cleaner. S.C. Johnson & Son.

■ For a roundup of everything on carpets from fine silk ravelings to stubborn hairs from a shedding sheep dog, a sticky tape roller picks up even microscopic lint. Works as well on bare floors and upholstery. A mop-length aluminum handle detaches for use of roller by hand. Helmac Products, Inc., P.O. Box 73, Flint, Mich.

Upholstery and wallcoverings

■ To restore new life to vinyl upholstery losing its lustrous look and supple feel, a sponge-applied cleaner strips grease, dulling film, and deeply embedded dirt in one application. L&B Vinyl Upholstery Cleaner. L&B Mfg. Co., 2144 Colorado Ave., Santa Monica, Calif. 90406.

■ You can take years off the looks of vinyl wallcovering, upholstery, and countertops with a creamy, aerosol-dispensed lather that cleans, restores luster, and protects. VINYLex. Lexol Corp., West Caldwell, N.J. 07006.

• To remove dulling film, scratches, scuffs, and stains from wallpaneling, woodwork, cabinets, and fine furniture, including pieces with oiled Danish finishes, a beauty treatment that also brings out hidden wood grain sprays on and wipes off. Panel Magic. Magic American Chemical Corp., Cleveland, Ohio 44128.

• For cleaning and rejuvenating white or colored Naugahyde, Nautalax, and other vinyl fabrics used on sofas, chairs, tabletops, and folding doors, a high-powered liquid boasts instant action: Plast-A-Clean Vinyl Cleaner. CAH Industries, Inc., Franklin Park, Ill. 60131.

• Stains on upholstery, draperies, rugs, and wallpaper are routed by a ringless spot remover, a spray that dries to a powder and can be whisked away by a plastic brush molded into the cap of the can. Spot-X. W. J. Hagerty & Sons, Ltd., South Bend, Ind. 46624.

Furniture

■ To clean and refurbish valuable antiques, to mask scratches and stains, and to finish raw wood: Pigmented Liquid Wax. It wipes on and polishes to a high sheen with brush or cloth. In Regency brown, Spanish-

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Austria is the heartening proof that the whole world has not become the same. Austria is made to order for the nostalgic, lovers of chocolate and leisurely coffee and the scent of cigar smoke and the upholstered snugness of what we sometimes call the good old days. One feels that Vienna was designed for carriage rides on sunny afternoons, for the panoply of imperial hussars on parade, the glitter of waltz balls. Inside Demel's mahogany-paneled, incredibly calorific coffee shop, you are surrounded by the world of your great-grandmother. On the Kärntnerstrasse there are still quiet, carpeted shops smelling of fine leather and polished wood, and surely the elegant ghosts of 19th-century ladies smile down on you when you souvenir shop for Lobmeyr crystal or costume jewelry or a [illegible] evening bag.

In Austria the past is very present because it is there. Beside the [illegible] just-sprung-up [illegible] around the corner there is a glorious, well-preserved monument to another day—a palace, a church, a majestic plaza, a countless treasure of architectural art and sculptural importance.

The prevailing mood is Baroque, the lush and elaborate International Style of the 17th and 18th Centuries, the era, they say, when living itself was an art. This design of ellipses and S-curves, richly carved stone and extravagant fresco painting—all larger than life—was espoused by the princely everywhere in Europe but came to a curious flowering of its own in Austria, and the name of Fischer von Erlach, one of its masters, is as much on the tongues of sightseeing guides as Mozart and Strauss. It was the Baroque which sowed the seeds of French Court furniture, that timeless dominator of interior decoration. So, if you are a lover of things Louis, Austria should be a special bonanza for you. In Vienna the very air seems Baroque, but to get your first tangible glimpse of it, go to the Hofburg. *(Continued on page 178)*



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mission brown, French-country walnut, and Italian fruitwood. Plaza Paint Supply Corp., 235 East 123rd St., N.Y.C. 10035.

● To clean and shine furniture, one wipe of a cloth does the job with a lemon-oil polish that combines wood-enriching silicones with protective wax. Compare, Barcolene, Inc., Holbrook, Mass. 02343.

● For dusting furniture quickly, one of the new time-and-labor savers sprays a cleaner into mop or mitt and leaves a soft, satiny finish that builds up no residue on surfaces. Dust-X, W.J. Hagerty & Sons, Ltd.

● Acting as a magnet in attracting dust, a chemically treated non-oily cloth, 18½" by 13½", picks up soil from furniture, lamps, sculpture, and bric-a-brac. The treated cloth also works on floors and walls: Magnetic Dust Cloth, Quickie Mfg. Co., 1315 West Cumberland St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19132.

● Varnished, enameled, or lacquered furniture, refrigerators, metal cabinets, stainless steelware, or ceramic tiles yield dust and dulling film instantly to a spray-on polish containing lemon oil, that combines solvents and detergents for cleaning, with paraffin wax for polishing. Kleen 'N Wax, W. J. Hagerty & Sons Ltd.

● To outwit the dustfalls that mar the clear, transparent beauty of Plexiglas, Lucite, and other plastic furniture, an antistatic solution neutralizes electrostatic charges (and the accumulations of dust they attract) for a temporary period: from two weeks to a month. The solution is sprayed on after plastic furniture is cleaned the usual way with soap and water. Like Magic, Merchandise Presentations, Inc., 3960 Merritt Ave., Bronx, N.Y. 10466.

Bathroom and kitchen

● Such tough cleaning problems as stubbornly discolored ceramic tiles, stained bathtubs and basins, grease- and food-encrusted ovens and barbecue grills have met their match. A powerful liquid cleaner that industry swears by has been tapped for home use. Janitor In A Drum, Texize Chemicals Inc., Greenville, S.C. 29602.

● An all-out spring housecleaning sparkle can be sprayed from a can over all exposed kitchen areas: refrigerators, counters, faucets, sinks, bathtubs, dishwashers, and appliances; on tile, wood, vinyl, Formica, and other surfaces. A spray wax cleans, shines, and protects, making new spills and stains easier to cope with. Jubilee Kitchen Wax, S.C. Johnson & Son.

● To lighten and brighten time-blackened grout around ceramic tiles an embattled cleaner that licks tough industrial problems has a walkaway in the house when sprayed on dirt, left to work, and rinsed off with clear water. Renu Tile & Grout Cleaner, B.T.G. Associates Inc., 55 West 16th St., N.Y.C. 10011.

● For any job that calls for a sponge cleaner, a self-sudser invented by a British woman scientist seals in soap two or three times more powerfully concentrated than is found in most liquid household detergents. This one also has an ammonia additive. Soap-In-Sponge, Duxbury Products Co., P.O. Box 392, South Duxbury, Mass. 02374.

● The kitchen and bathroom clean-up can be speeded up by four new cellulose sponges that combine scrubber and sponge, are bonded with nylon nonwoven webbing, and are designed each to do a special job: heavy-duty scouring, washing walls, cleaning Teflon-coated cookware, making tub and sink sparkle. Scotch-Brite Scrub 'n Sponges, Three M Co., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

● An entire *batterie de cuisine* of Teflon can be scrubbed without scratching. So can glassware, enamelware, bathtubs, mirrors, and a pride of ceramic tiles, thanks to a gentle cleaning pad of soft foam sheathed with scratchless Mylar. Dobie Cleaning Pad, Purex Corp., Ltd., Lakewood, Calif. 90712.

Silver, copper, brass, chrome

● Keeping tarnish at bay when you clean your silver is the simplified upkeep offered by an instant polishing paste, Silversmiths' Wash, applied with a sponge. W. J. Hagerty & Sons, Ltd.

● Specialized to the *n*th degree, a fork cleaner is designed to clean tines. Dipped into a jar of liquid and left long enough, stains dissolve. Tarnish from eggs, for example, disappears instantly, as if by magic. Fork Cleaner, W. J. Hagerty & Sons.

● A tarnish policeman that guards silver from sulphur and other contaminants in the air is a tiny jar of absorbent crystals. All you do is take off the lid and store jar in silver chest or cabinet drawer. Vigil Tarnish Preventive, Vigilant Products Corp., 600 Fifth Ave., N.Y.C. 10020.

● A jack-of-all-trades cleans, polishes, protects aluminum, chrome, copper, brass, and stainless steel in one operation, removing rust and oxides and leaving a lustrous, long-lasting coating: Metal Cleaner and Protector, Collinite Chemical Co., 1520 Lincoln Ave., Utica, N.Y. 13502.

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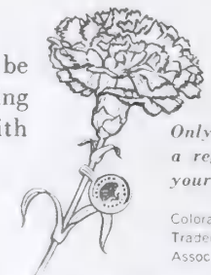


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An exuberant—and spirited—saturation of one tulip print. The flower is based on the "Dr. Thornton" botanical painting in the Louvre. Fabric by Brunschwig & Fils. Room designed by David Bruy of B. Altman.

Fashion Look #1

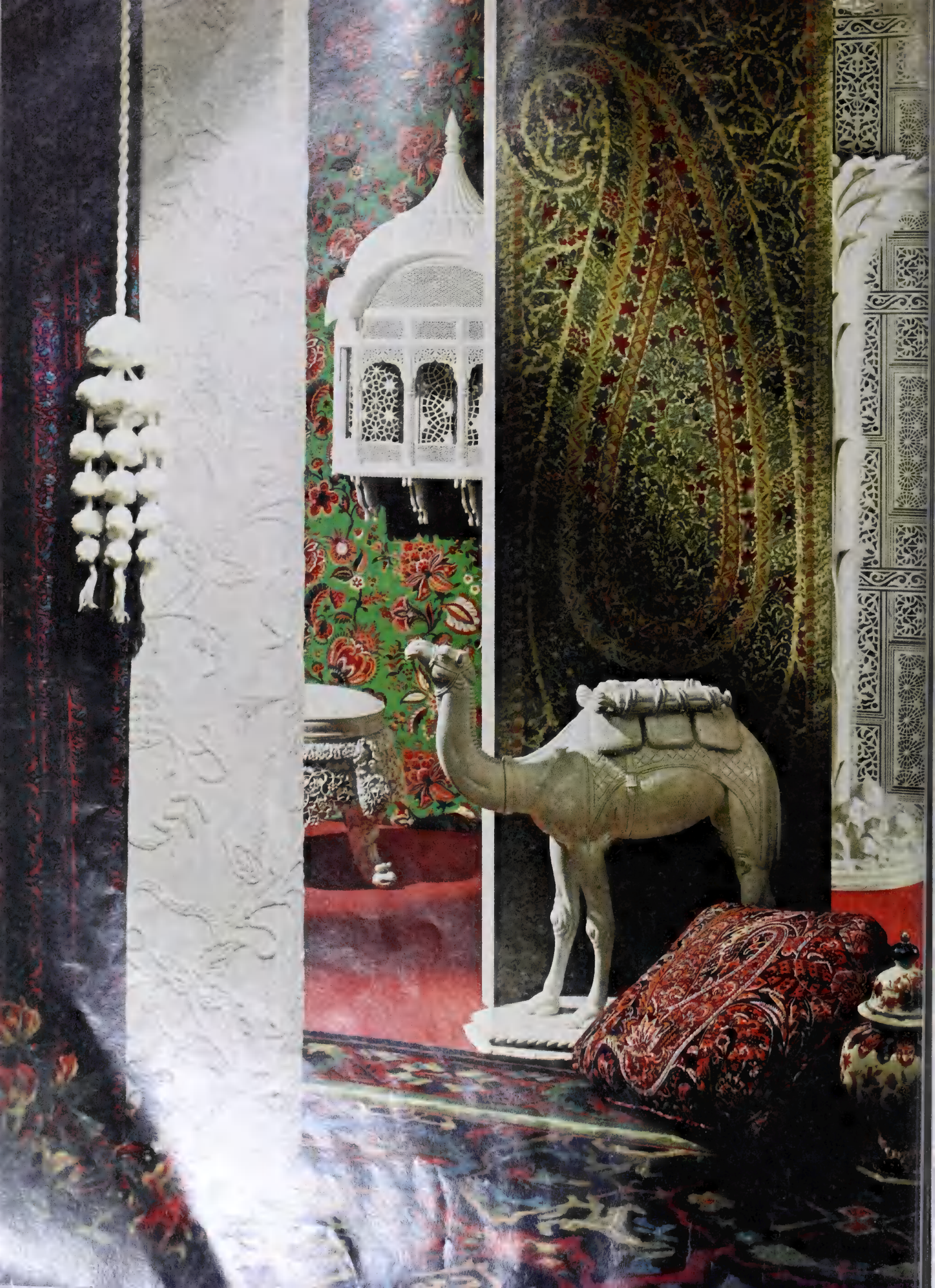
EVERYTHING'S COMING UP...TULIPS

Is it a wild recurrence of *tulipomania*—that 17th-century epidemic in Holland when people invested their money in tulips and individual bulbs sold for outlandish prices? Or is it a deliciously mild case of spring fever that has triggered an ebullience of tulip bloom on fabric, needlepoint, rugs, porcelains, wallpaper—and in flower beds and florist shops throughout the country? The graceful tulips—from the Turkish word meaning "turban"—look, in fact, like little turbans. With garden-fresh colorings and infinite variety, they are replacing the stylistic art-nouveau flower, the demure daisy, and even—it seems hard to believe—the fashionable rose. Brilliant harbingers of spring and the earth's renewal, the tulips here, sharp and clean, are splashed against bold backgrounds of fresh pastels. Suddenly, the time of the tulip!

For information on the tulips gathered opposite and above, see page 172.

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In Fashion Designer Count Sarmi's New York penthouse, several India patterns create a rich ambiance in the entrance to the living room.

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Fashion Look #2

THE NEW PASSAGE TO INDIA

Have Americans become restive and impatient with the recently fashionable—and sometimes bland—understatement? Here, in magnificent denial of the cold and the stark, is all the opulence, magic, and splendor of the Taj Mahal. Newly on the scene: India's lavish pattern-with-pattern, the heavy ornamentation, the carved filigree work. Every shaping imaginable in delicately pierced white screens, huge floor cushions, silks, crewels, tassels, and tiebacks. Rugs—traditionally deep red and blue and minutely patterned—are restyled into the larger patterns and vibrancy of the sixties. Against intricate swirls of brightened paisleys and glittering metallic backgrounds, the purity and simplicity of white-lacquered teak. Like the elegance of rows of arm bracelets, there is admitted richness and exuberance—and warmth—in the new currency of overstatement.

For information on these treasures of the East, see page 172.



ERNEST SILVA

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Warmer side to geometry in a room designed by David Bruy of B. Altman. In subdued and subtle colorings, sharp triangles and squares blend beautifully with the tradition of England and France.

Fashion Look #3

GEOMETRICS...THE NEW LINE

Shades of Euclid and Pythagoras—in these utterly worldly angles and lines. Overscaled and vividly colored, they are not respectful of—and do not attract—the timid. The new course of geometry reflects the gutsy look of today with triangles and squares, hexagons and octagons (and complicated permutations of them) that are now hot news in the drawing room. Exploding like Fourth of July fireworks into unheard-of colors and dramatic size, they are all over rugs, wallpaper, and fabric. An optically sophisticated public, quite tolerant of strange scale, is prepared to meet a great smash of geometric bravura.

For the angle on the geometrics opposite and above, see page 172.







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The African mood in a tribal print mixed with the overcivilization of Victoriana. Print by David and Dash with Zepel finish by DuPont. In the Southampton weekend house of Photographer Jacques Simson.

Fashion Look #4

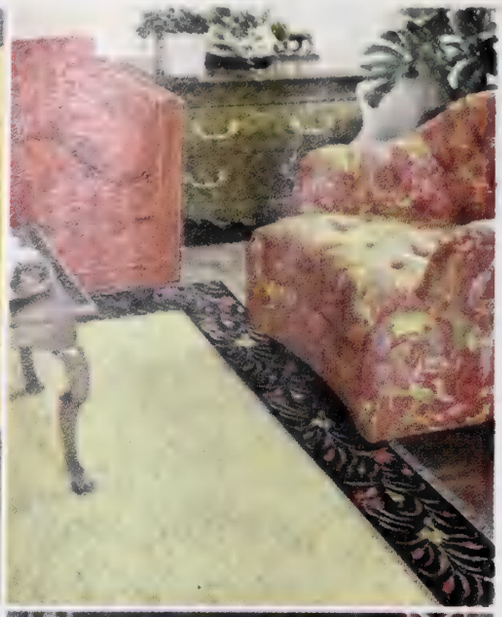
THE PULSE OF AFRICA

Spoils from a daring safari through the shifting sands of the Sahara, from an arduous ascent to the top of Kilimanjaro, or—more comfortably—from a walk through the crowded cities on Africa's coast. No lions or tigers here to snarl from fireplace walls, but—on rugs, fabrics, and wallpapers—interpretations of warrior shields and native crafts. Motifs of birds, fish, and animals.

Small vertical prints. The childlike simplicity of primitive cave paintings in Tanganyika. Here, the rough textures and rich colors of the earth—brilliant desert sunlight or dark forest brown. In the patterns, the excitement of tribal celebrations suggests the lure of the basic—the rock beat of Africa.

For all details on the African cache, see page 172.









THREE PHOTOGRAPHS BY HOWARD GRAFF

PHOTOGRAPH ABOVE, WESLEY BALZ

Sprightly yellow border, top left, kicks up the quiet elegance of dark walls and furniture. Wide woven band, top right, provides sharp emphasis to an ordinary rug. Where walls and ceiling meet, below left, a blithe wallpaper border. Geometric paper, below right, frames the bed, its lines echoed in a needlepoint pillow.

Fashion Look #5

ACTION AT THE BORDER

Thick strips of yellow, red, and brown on a basket-weave rug with an optional border. A white rug brightly bound in yellow-and-orange fretwork, inserted rather than edged. Large squares and rectangles of yellow, white, and black in a Spanish rug with a contrasting border of graceful scrolls. Wide bands [illegible] gateway, blue-and-green geometrics, blue-and-white floral, or black [illegible] fabrics with turned-under taped edges so you can sew them on to [illegible] draperies. Modern borders like these are climbing the walls and [illegible] corners everywhere. Sometimes as a spunky afterthought—though who would suspect [illegible] only finesse plainness in a finished room with an eye-catching border.

For complete coverage of border action, page 172

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The decorating staff
of House Beautiful answers:

THE 20 MOST FREQUENTLY ASKED DECORATING QUESTIONS

1 *"I don't know where to begin on the decoration of my new apartment. What comes first— the rug, the walls, the sofa? What's the first step?"*

☐ First step is a "think session." Get clearly in your mind your overall viewpoint on how you will be living—how will you dine, entertain, work, relax—to determine the furnishings you *must* have. Before you buy anything, make a floor plan drawn to scale and try some furniture arrangements with cutout furniture shapes also drawn to scale. This shows you what can be appropriately placed in the space you have. Analyze your tastes in design and color. What will you *really* want to live with? Try some experimental color schemes with paint samples, wallpaper, fabric swatches. Remember that large areas—walls and floors—will dominate, so deserve first thought. In practical execution, walls come first, floors second, and the placement of large furniture pieces third.

2 *"Can you suggest the best kind of furnishings for a family that must move a lot?"*

☐ Concentrate on underscaled, non-bulky furniture (try to get an eight-foot sofa in or out of most buildings!): stackable, foldable, multipurposed pieces, lightweight as possible: storage wall systems that you can arrange in varying combinations; knock-down furniture that can be packed flat and reassembled. Frequent moves are hard on furniture, so get the best quality with resistant finishes. For accents and practical fun, try the new inflatables, paper furniture, cube and cable-tied sectionals of polyurethane. Rugs are easier to transport and install than wall-to-wall carpeting. Wall and wallhangings are easier to cope with than upholstered closures. Keep accessories down to a few beloved possessions that will be reminding you wherever you are.

3 *"What should I look for to be sure of getting my money's worth in good upholstery?"*

☐ Number one, look for a reputable dealer. Upholstery is a long-term investment if ever there was one, and the problem is confounded by the fact that you're buying an iceberg, *i.e.*, the greater, most important part of your purchase is hidden. The value is in the unseen construction: frame, springs, filling, and the workmanship with which it is put together. For this, you must rely on your dealer's recommendation. Naturally, check all visible details with care. Note the trimness of workmanship, the firmness of welting, the sturdiness of stitching, the placement of nailheads, the meticulous matching of fabric pattern. Most important: Check arm heights, seat depth, the angle of the back to be sure a sofa or chair will be comfortable for you. Take your husband with you when you make this major buy.

4 *"Do you have any words of advice on the planning of a nursery?"*

☐ Don't think of it as a nursery. Regard it and furnish it as a room for a growing child, a room with a future. Except for the best crib you can buy, furnish the room with "adult" furniture, with comfort, storage, multipurpose use and hard knocks in mind. The child will need play area, storage space for clothes, eventually a place for study. Practicalities: vinyl floors, washable area rugs, washable walls, the simplest window curtains.

5 *"How do I budget my decorating money? What deserves the lion's share of my nest egg?"*

☐ The basic, long-term must-haves deserve the major part of any decorating budget. These are bedding, upholstered pieces like sofas and large chairs, dining furniture and storage pieces—essentials that are bound to get consistent wear. They should be the very best quality your budget can support. For these, insist on classic shapes, good woods, well-made fabrics. Shun fads and current status symbols. Better have a few excellent possessions than a lot of mediocre ones.

6 *"How do you treat windows in an old house where windows are all sorts, sizes and heights?"*

☐ The object is to achieve a semblance of uniformity, so using one color, one pattern, or one style of treatment will help. Windows of uneven heights can be "leveled off" with valances. The highest window sets the pace. On low windows the valance will be high above the frame, but the fall of the curtain will conceal the trick. Narrow windows may be made to look wider if draperies are installed on adjoining walls instead of on the window frame. Understate the window treatment so as not to draw the eye to defects in scale. Keep curtains all of the same type.

7 ***"What about using several patterns in the same room? Do I dare try to mix them—or would visual disaster strike?"***

☐ Currently there seems to be a vogue for rooms in which several different patterns are used—but mixing patterns is a sticky wicket and can be disastrous unless it's done by a trained eye, and lots of pros come a cropper with it. Patterns can of course be mixed with charming effects provided they relate either by color and mood or contrast in scale. Be especially careful mixing similar large patterns, such as overscaled florals, in one room. A painless way to try your hand at this is to experiment with smaller masses of pattern, such as cushions or slip-seats of chairs or flower arrangements (which are also pattern, remember). These can be changed easily if you don't like the results of your mixing.

8 ***"We've just bought an old house with the master bath solidly tiled in a hideous lavender. Short of retiling, how can I take the curse off that color?"***

☐ There are straws in the wind indicating that violets and mauves are making a big comeback—but every woman to her own fancy. You can hide the tile color with waterproof paint, in white or a color of your choice. You might also investigate vinyl wallcovering, which is applied with a special adhesive paste. Walls that are not subjected to splash and spatter can be covered with wallpaper. Be sure your painter or paperhanger is in sympathy with the job, that he has the right materials, and knows how to use them. See a wallpapered tile bathroom on page 79.

9 ***"I used to have a marvelous view, but a new building has gone up next door. What decorating trick—or tricks—can I use to camouflage my ugly new view of a brick wall?"***

☐ To blur the view and still see daylight, try semisheer glass curtains or meshy, interestingly woven casement cloth. Or panel the window in wood lattice or shutter blinds. Like Venetian blinds, shutters are flexible adjusters of light. So are vertical louvers of translucent, supple plastic which hang like curtains and give an architectural look to a room. Don't forget window shades: The translucent variety give a daylight glow even when they're drawn; decorative shades laminated with patterned fabric or wallpaper, or trimmed with braid, would catch the eye and distract from the view. Or go whimsical with shades painted in a cloud pattern or a picture of the view you wish you had or an amusing *trompe l'oeil* of a bookcase or a birdcage or a whatever. Or turn the window into a small garden with glass shelves massed with potted flowering plants. Or, if you can spare the light, frankly wall out the view: Cover the window with wallboard and place an important piece of furniture against it. A heartening thought: You can always manufacture your own sunshine with artificial light.

10 ***"Basically, my furnishings are 18th-century, but I need a few more pieces. Is it appropriate to use contemporary designs with period furniture?"***

☐ You can mix past and present with perfect impunity, and some of the most beautiful rooms do precisely that and for that matter always have. The clue to successful mixing is good basic design. The best designs of all eras invariably marry well. The more you acquaint yourself with the best, via the study of design, museum visits, and a habit of looking critically at everything you see, the more confident you'll be.

11 ***"Do you recommend wall-to-wall carpeting or is it more 'in' to have room-size rugs?"***

☐ "In" has nothing to do with it. If you have beautiful and unusually handsome floors it would be a shame to cover them up with wall-to-wall carpeting. But if the flooring is poor, wall-to-wall covers a multitude of sins. It is also a way to increase apparent spaciousness. Carpet cut to rug size often solves installation and moving problems, and remember that bright, accenting area rugs can be used anywhere, even on carpeting.

12 ***"My living room is 13 by 21 feet. It sounds larger than it actually looks. What can I do to make it seem more spacious?"***

☐ No one solution applies to all rooms, but in general light, cool, recessive color increases the illusion of space. A monochromatic room, done in one color or shades of one color, tends to look larger than it is. Low, underscaled furniture, simply arranged, increases spaciousness. So, conversely, may the use of a very few overscaled pieces. The idea is to get the eye off the room and onto the furniture. Avoid clutter at all cost. A mirror can be a magic-worker: On a long wall it tends to broaden a room, on a short wall, it lengthens a room.

13 ***"I am sick and tired of living with my grandmother's Victorian antiques. Everyone tells me these things are valuable but is there really a market for them? How do I get rid of them?"***

☐ Wait a minim. Victorian is not a bad stock to have with prices going up and the supply dwindling. Remember the revival of Tiffany lampshades. Many decorators are already using Victorian-era "white elephants" as accent pieces with contemporary furnishings. You may be bored with an overdose of heirlooms, but your tastes may change. Why not store the best of them? In any case, before you put them out on the sidewalk seek out a reputable auction service or an antique dealer.

20 DECORATING QUESTIONS
continued

14 *"I know I need a decorator, but I am afraid it would cost too much. How do decorators charge?"*

☐ If you know you need a decorator, consult one—if possible, one who is a member of a professional organization of designers. So far as cost is concerned, a decorator may charge you an hourly rate as a consultant or an overall fee for advice. As a complete supervisor of every detail, he will buy from wholesale sources, which you otherwise have no access to, and charge you just as a retail store would. Many department stores and home-furnishings shops have decorating services that charge a consulting fee, applicable against any purchases you make. Whatever your arrangement, a decorator's talent is well worth the fee—sure to save you both time and money.

15 *"My husband insists upon keeping his big, old-fashioned reclining chair in the living room. It's so bulky it ruins the room. How can I reupholster it to slim it down?"*

☐ Don't even try. Heave it out (if you can move it), and get him a new one. Recent-model recliners are even more relaxing than the old ones, and so good-looking and trim you'd never guess that they were Father's favorite chair.

16 *"Would it be practical to cover the walls with a chintz that matches the draperies, and if so, how is it done?"*

☐ It's perfectly practical—provided your paperhanger or you use the appropriate paste. It can be a messy job in the hands of an amateur. A chintz tends to stretch when damp, and you must expect some waste in fabric yardage if you have a complicated pattern to match. Otherwise, it's similar to wallpapering. Ideally, fabric should be first backed with paper, then applied. Really fine fabrics are usually stretched on wood flats and attached to the wall.

17 *"Can you suggest some ways of manufacturing storage space where there isn't any?"*

☐ Immediate advice: Steel yourself to throw out or put into commercial storage whatever you don't absolutely need. The obvious storage solution is the wall system that gives you shelf, drawer, and cabinet space. But there's a limit to the number of these you can use. Make all your furniture provide as much storage space as possible. Lamp tables, coffee tables, benches should be equipped with shelves, drawers, and cupboard space. Eschew high, leggy, off-the-floor pieces with accessible space below. Try the unconventional: a low chest as a coffee table, a wicker hamper as an end table, a decorative leather trunk or a campaign chest to hold a lamp. Meantime these can store china, books, linens, extras. Sacrifice a coat closet, fill it with unpainted bookcases, and it's a pantry for china, glass, hollow ware, record player, and records. Hide uncontrollable clutter, like unread magazines, behind a pretty screen.

18 *"My standard dining table is too big for the space in the dining ell of my new apartment. What to do about it—and still dine gracefully?"*

☐ There are small-space dwellers who can dine with great panache at folding tray tables—but not many. A more substantial solution would be a well-made extension table. Another suggestion: small-scaled Parsons tables, slender enough to be placed against the walls of the dining ell when not in use. Designed to seat four at a table, two go together to seat six to eight. Between meals these serve as consoles, have a living-room look. The good old folding card table can also come into play. Give it one of those circular folding tops and lay in a good supply of down-to-the-floor tablecloths, and dinner for six can be quite elegant.

19 *"Are there any decorative plants specifically recommended for hot, dry, almost sunless rooms?"*

☐ Almost no plant can thrive for long in a hot, dry, almost sunless room. Some miraculously survive, but only in carefully tended soil, regularly watered, fed, and washed. One solution, if you have a sunny spot somewhere, is to rotate plants, give them a little season in the sun, then return them to their sunless spot. Or, on occasion, give them a spell of recuperation under fluorescent light. Plants most likely to succeed in sparse sunlight are: for baskets—asparagus, chlorophytum, English ivy, philodendron, cissus, syngonium, scindapsus ("pothos"), and senecio (German ivy). Low, bushy: aglaonema, syngonium ("nephthytis"), ophiopogon, philodendron, maranta, rohdea. Tall, bushy: dieffenbachia, monstera, philodendron, pittosporum, schefflera, aucuba, croton, beaucarnea, dracaena, fatsia. Trees and palms: ficus, dizygotheca (aralia), chamaedorea, kentia, howea, chrysalidocarpus. Ferns: cyrtomium, nephrolepis, polypodium, polystichum, and pteris.

20 *"Is it all right to mix light and dark woods in the same room?"*

☐ Yes. Variety is the spice of any room. You can fearlessly blend fruitwoods with mahogany, maple with walnut, oak with rosewood. Any and all go together, from darkest to palest, because mixed wood tones are easy on the eye. Don't be afraid to accent the mix with furniture of glass and steel, lacquer finish, or leather covering. What is important is not the mix, but the compatibility of the pieces in scale and design quality, no matter what "period" tags are placed on them.



CARMEN SCHIAVONE

A Cinderella of a bath, transformed by the artist-owner from the once-upon-a-time kitchen of a country house. The wand: color, and ideas such as enclosing a four-legged tub, resetting a sink on an old Venetian pedestal.

THE SUPER BATH

Editors: SETON LINDSAY *and* LOIS BOHLIG

Old house, new house, or house-to-be—plans for the bath, its size, decoration, furnishings, and indulgent accessories take on more importance every year. Is the bath to be all of a piece, or divided into several units shielded perhaps by *boiserie* or by strips of chrome? Wild with color and pattern or calmly pale but for bright towels and decorative bottles? Above and on the next eight pages, superlative baths and some of their desirable adjuncts—from precious bibelots to delicious lotions, fresh flowers and framed ones painted on tiled walls by a painstaking new technique. Look at the practical way to whisk a plain, routine bath into a dazzling glory of overall pattern. Consider the blissful convenience of good storage arrangements for sprays, powders, and such to be enjoyed in or near the tub—so pretty they don't need to be concealed, just properly placed. Imagination has had as much to do as affluence in replacing the clinical-looking bath with restorative retreats for body and spirit, rooms ranking high in their fresh, well-considered décor and sybaritic delights.





THE SUPER BATH

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HOWARD GRAFF

Springtime made tangible: a bath, left, in Señora Maria de Mello's new seaside villa at Cascasi, Portugal. Those enchanting botanical "prints" were achieved by painting the flowers and frames on the tiled walls, the tiles then removed for firing and glazing, and finally put back into position. A unique version of trompe-l'oeil *that, together with 18th-century furnishings, glimmers of silver, a needlepoint rug, gives the bath the elegance of an intimate blossomy little salon. For the poolhouse bath, top right, flowered fabric for the curtains and pagoda-style stall. In the powder room, right, an antique Canton sink, tiles with painted-on Canton plates.*

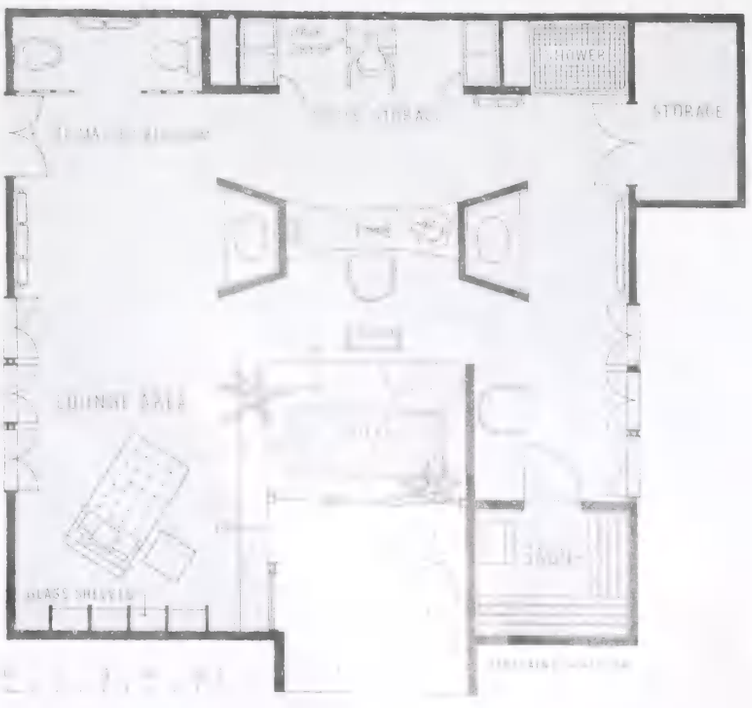






THE SUPER BATH *continued*

Master bath suite, a complex of separate areas given visual unity. The lavatory-cabinet unit, above left, a sauna, a toilet-bidet area screened by strips of chrome, above, the great marble tub and nearby make-up counter, right, are but part of the sybaritic layout (see plan) innovative design makes possible in a 23½′ by 24′ space. For coherence: continuous carpeting of flagstone-patterned wool: calm tones everywhere, except for bright towels. Aiding the spacious look, an all-clear chair by the hair-dryer, one by the tub



Master-bath suite design created by Harold Broderick and Steve Chase of Arthur Elrod Associates, Palm Springs, for display at the International Design Center, Los Angeles. Carpet, designed for this suite by Robert W. Clement, made by Decorative Carpets.

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THE UPPER BATH *continued*

Originally, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kempners' baths were identical twins, alike in layout, white tile walls, white tile floors. Now a sensational difference between them. His, below, still white, with strong browns and yellows added in towels and rug. Hers, right, transformed, by wallpaper and indoor-outdoor carpeting, into a glory of patterned color. One tiled wall, along the tub, is mirror-covered; the others, sheathed in the wallpaper, a Woodson print. First the lines between the tiles were filled in by spackling; next, two coats of primer paint. Then the paper, treated to make it water-resistant, was hung right over the tile, continued over the ceiling and the ceiling-high cupboards that provide maximum storage space. Other well-thought-out parking places: the long shelf above the tub, to hold delicious in- and after-bath essentials: a closet for peignoirs and such put in to the right of the basin. The corresponding area in the other twin is now occupied by a stall shower. The interior designer for the Kempners' baths was William Baldwin.

O. PHILIP ROEDEL





PAMPERING LUXURIES FOR THE SUPER BATH

Three pinks for a trio of towels, a fresh idea of elegance in lush sheared terry, bordered by hemstitching. From the Carlin Shop, Saks Fifth Avenue. To follow a rubdown: Caron's Creme Spray and Spray Powder Mist, scented with delicious Fleurs de Rocaille.

Elizabeth Arden's *bath sequence scented with Blue Grass: Fluffy Milk Bath, the bubbling soother; Flower Mist for a toning splash-on; Moisture Bath to leave skin silken. Extra-big square towel in Many Blossoms pattern, a Hanae Morie design for Martex.*

A legendary richness of flowers. Jean D'Albret's Écusson, here in its new version, Creme Foam, ready to billow out of its sunny container smoothing the skin and scenting it enchantingly. Flower-rich, too, the Fieldcrest towel, terry bright as a sunset.

Vials *of fragrant Roman Bath Oil from a hinged chest packed with tiers of two-dram vials, four in each of these much-loved scents: White Lilac, Tapestry, Strategy, Gardenia, Carnation, Cyclamen. From Mary Chess, a master at making the bath, the boudoir, ambrosial. This treasure, an instant route to many pleasures.*

A synonym for cologne, for great cologne, the famed Guerlain flacon, so distinctively shaped. The precious liquid it carries here, Shalimar Eau de Cologne, whose devotees find this subtly rich fragrance unsurpassable.

Fluted rounds of soap in a favored fragrance, L'Air du Temps, spicy floral blend from Nina Ricci, serve a double purpose: as sachets to be strewn among linens, scarves, lingerie, and gloves—then for the usual, joy in the tub.

Douceline beauties *for after-bath enjoyment: Splash Cologne, low in alcohol so it's not drying; Body Lotion, gentle softener, made to be quickly absorbed—no wait before dressing; Dusting Powder, to leave a lingering trace of scent over the skin. From Guy Laroche, in frosty packaging designed to be an element of décor.*

Blessings *from the new Clinique hypo-allergenic line: nongreasy, scentless, lubricating Bath Modifiers, one for dry skin, one for extra-dry; 7th-Day Scrub Cream, to refine those roughened areas on the legs or backs of the arms. The background towel, in the Delphi pattern, by Callaway.*

A great type of treatment bath is what comes of adding a bit of Moon Drops Creme Concentrate, by Revlon, to bath water. This moisturizing lotion turns a bath (but not the bather) sea-green, works as a skin-softener without leaving a trace of oiliness. The towel around it, in a new stripe arrangement, from Stevens Utica.

A glorious perfume, *Chanel No. 5, scrupulously translated into as glorious an Oil for the Bath, long cherished, increasingly beloved. Only a capful or two in the bath releases a scented air of luxury that soothes the body and lifts the spirits. If this be pampering—then make the most of it!*

Beauty specifics for legs, feet, by Borghese: Leg Conditioning and Toning Lotion, ready to live up to its name; cool Foot Treatment Lotion, mildly antiseptic, to aid in warding off infections; Foot Treatment Cream, its purpose to reduce callouses, relax tensions, soothe from heel to toe-tip. Callaway's Rubaiyat towel.

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Editor: TACY BOWMAN

HERE AND NOW

THE STYLISH SPREAD

Caper of mad plaid on a spread of Everfast's polished cotton. Kodel's fiberfill. $107. Max Rawicz' "Ravenna." Headboard. American of Martinsville. $159.

Traditional charm, quilted and zigzagged. Kodel's fiberfill. $55. "Forum" by Scroll. Cane headboard from Henredon's "Capri" group. $185 with frame.

Delicious shock of heady pink in a ray on-acetate throw. Washable and perma nent press. $14. "Radiance" by Morgan Jones. Headboard, Bassett Furniture. $80

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ut-velvet and Renaissance opulence in richly patterned throw. (Ready in pril.) $65. Bates. Headboard. Henre-on's "Capri" group. $148. with frame.



Blissful calm of trefoil quilt design in a fitted spread of Fortrel fiberfill. $60. "Donegal" by Nettlecreek. Phoenician headboard is from White. $165.



Brilliant blooming of overscale flowers with welt and outline quilting. $112. Original screen print. "Palm Springs," by Mr. Jess of Cal. Stanley headboard. $60.

ale drifts of waterlilies on a quilted elanese acetate throw. Kodel's fiberfill. 30. "Alice" by Bloomcraft. Velvet head-oard. Tomlinson. $159. frame included.

Bright snap of gypsy stripes on quilted fitted spread. Fortrel's cotton-and-polyester filling. $125. "Caprice" by India Handlooms. Headboard by Drexel. $120.

Delicate sprigs climb a pale blue throw edged with deep fringe (not shown here). Rayon acetate. $20. "Amorous Rose." Cannon Mills. Headboard. Drew. $79.







Editors: FRANCES HEARD *and* HARRIET MORRISON

NEWS... COLOR...

COUNTRY STYLE



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SOLID GEOMETRY



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HISPANIC



FAR-EAST

1. COUNTRY STYLE made for today. Silk-screened pattern on painted wood in a Florentine-inspired cabinet from the second edition of "Grand Tour" by Heritage. $289.
2. SOLID GEOMETRY. In rosewood circles. A drum table 25″ in diameter, 25″ high. $210. Chair in soft vinyl swivels on steel cloverleaf pedestal. $350. Both by Selig.
3. MOLDED slipper chair in shining blue plastic on silvery casters, filled with cushions. By Charlton. $130.
4. TRANSLUCENT color. Newer than transparency. Rainbow hues in tiny T-square tables. 16″ by 16″. Selig. $99.
5. FAR-EASTERN flavor in headboard lacquered Mandarin red. "East Wind" by American of Martinsville. $249.
6. BLOW-UP. Big print on a small sofa. A contrast in scale to tease the eye. Classic sofa by Shaw. $469.

NEWS...PATTERN...NEWS...TEXTURE...

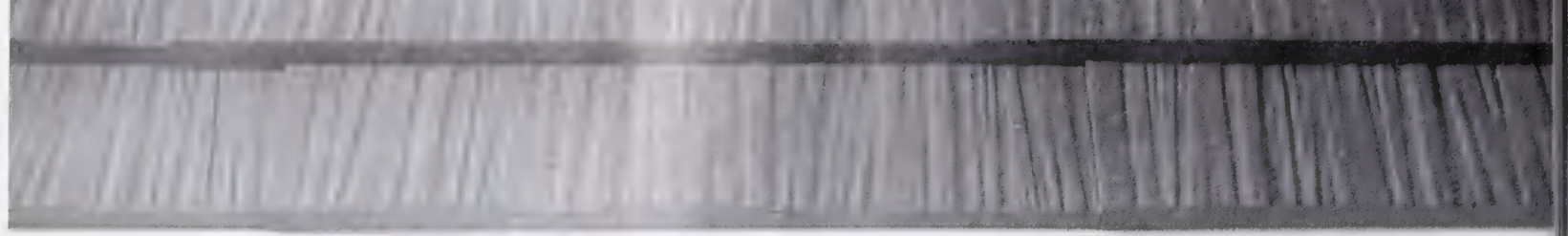






BLOW-UP HAPPY TALK HAND-PAINTED

7. HAPPY TALK in an art-nouveau-inspired butterfly print on a puffy two-cushion sofa by Simmons. $400.
8. HAND-PAINTED decoration. Oriental motifs decorate each tabletop. Frames are yellow lacquer. From the Kozak Studio collection by Milling Road. Baker. $310.
9. HISPANIC influence. Geometric block motif covering double doors of massive armoire are carved in solid pecan. The carving, a feature of a Henredon group. $770.



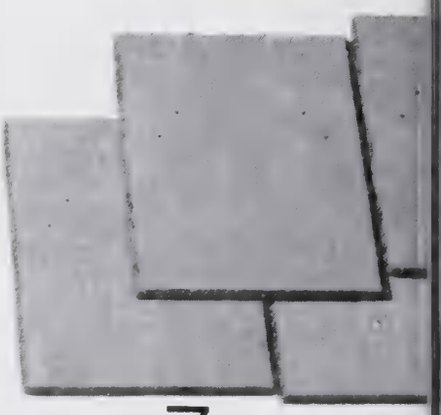
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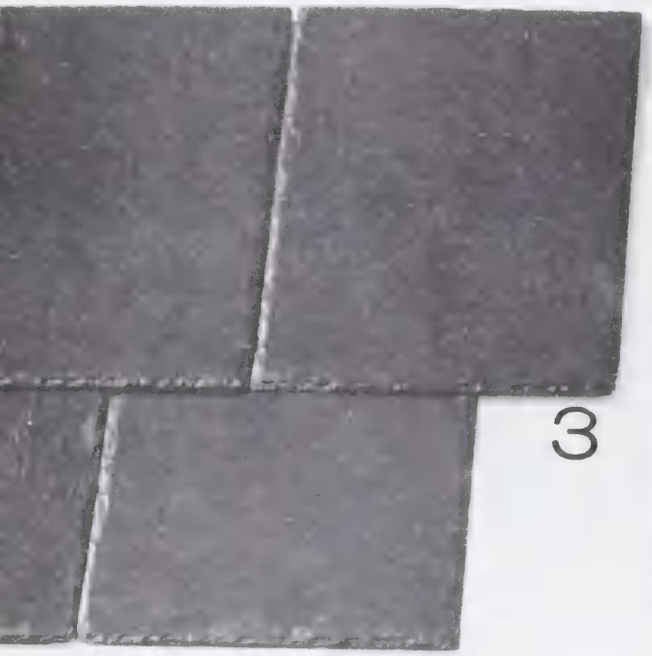
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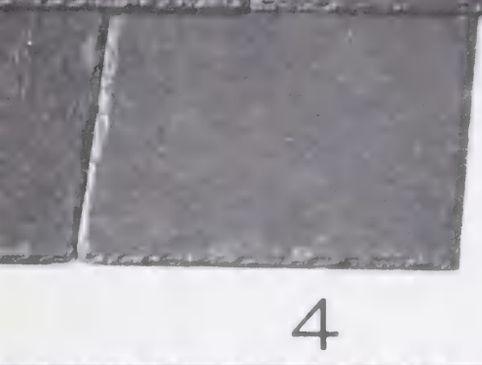
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By JOHN H. INGERSOLL

Some roofing materials have been vastly improved. Others are quite new. Here's a complete guide to all types—new and old.

THE CHANGING ROOF

A roof forgotten is a good roof. Like many an old saying, this one is only half true. Certainly roofing materials that go up once, give lasting protection, and require little care are desirable. But forget the roof? No, because roofing is inextricably a part of the total architecture of a house. Often, a barrel-tile or cedar-shake roof dominates the exterior appearance. Today, even the lowly asphalt shingle merits attention for its design as well as for moderate cost and dogged durability.

On the opposite page, you see examples of the wide-ranging textures, shapes, and depths of today's roof materials. Color is the fourth dimension. As you're aware, roofing is no longer a choice between black and gray. Residential roofs have broken out in nearly every pastel shade during the past two decades. And in some cases strong colors have appeared. Moreover, homeowners have learned that lighter colors and white help cool the house during hot weather. Some of the sun's radiant heat is reflected away from a light-colored roof: it tends to be absorbed by dark colors. Finally, today's materials are safer and longer lasting. More about that as each type is discussed below.

Getting down to specifics, how do roofing materials compare? What should you specify for your new home? Or as new roofing for your present house? Here is the information you'll need to make a choice. The materials are listed alphabetically, from aluminum to wood.

Aluminum. As you can see at the top of the photograph on the opposite page, aluminum shingles, when installed, resemble cedar shakes to a certain extent. This was intentional for two reasons. The design produces an attractive roof, and the striations easily take up what little expansion and contraction occurs due to temperature changes.

When applied as it should be—over roof sheathing and a layer of roofing felt—there is no annoying noise transmitted into the house as a result of rain striking the roof. Even the sound of sleet against the aluminum shingles would be no more disturbing than it would be against other materials. The shingles interlock with one another, making them as right for a steeply pitched roof as for one with a low slope. Wind won't blow them away. How long will they last? In one instance, experimental roofs of aluminum shingles have covered a number of Pittsburgh houses since 1927, with no sign of failure yet. If you buy a quality brand, expect the shingles to last as long as you're in the house.

You can choose natural-colored aluminum shingles if you wish—excellent for heat reflection—but you also have a choice of white, pastel green, buff, and gray. Applied-on-the-roof cost will run somewhere between $60 and $100 a square (100 square feet). This rather wide gap is brought about by a big spread in labor rates around the nation, added to differences in shipping charges. Because they weigh so little, aluminum *(Continued on page 114)*

Shingle closeup begins with: **1.** Aluminum: relatively new, durable, in colors and natural. **2.** Western red cedar: thick-butt shakes, always handsome. **3.** Slate: unchanged in centuries, still a remarkable material. **4.** Asphalt: number-one roof in America: now textured, tougher. **5.** Shingle tile: a clay material, very long-lasting, in colors. **6.** Western red cedar shingles, traditional throughout the U.S.: give roof an air of elegance. **7.** Mineral fiber, also known as asbestos-cement: excellent durability, in colors. **8.** Spanish tile, sometimes called barrel tile: traditional in the Southwest and Florida, extremely durable. Sources for these and more information on page 120.

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ARRIVING: THE HOUSEHOLD PROFESSIONAL

House Beautiful reports on a long-overdue revolution: raising "household help" to professional status

By DUNCAN MACDONALD

Within the next few months there will be an interesting new look in American households: new jobs, new uniforms, new attitudes toward work, and a new spirit. The reason: the arrival of the household professional. She is also called the household technician, home engineer, home assistant, household manager, or home-management specialist.

Household help has virtually disappeared, as everyone knows. One recent reason is that the immigration law was changed in 1965, and young women from England, Ireland, and the Scandinavian countries, who had formerly filled such posts, were barred from entering because Americans needed the jobs. As it turned out, Americans felt household work was not quite good enough.

The image was wrong, to say nothing of the long hours, the low salaries, and the lack of benefits found in other fields. The result was to create almost an entire generation who refused to go into household employment.

Now there is a new approach in Washington, where in 1968 the Government earmarked $1,500,000 to set up pilot projects to attack the problem. The projects were developed by the National Committee on Household Employment, a nonprofit organization whose goal is to improve the quality and the economic and social status of employees in households and related service occupations.

At the heart of the matter is the question of "image." The pilot projects are designed to establish domestic workers on a professional level, hopefully with a resultant change in image. To accomplish this, there must be education and training. So concluded the analysis made by NCHE, working with the Departments of Labor and of Health, Education and Welfare.

On the basis of these conclusions, seven pilot projects were launched last summer—in Boston; Chicago; New York; Philadelphia; Pittsburgh; Alexandria, Virginia; Manhattan, Kansas.

Boston homemakers learn to be employers

There is a tendency to think of the problem of household help only at two extremes: the very wealthy person who can afford to employ help but can't find it; and the employee without skills who can handle only household "chores." But in between are many variations: for example, the career woman with a good salary who has elderly parents to support; and, on the employee side, the worker who enjoys a home atmosphere but is reluctant to accept such employment because it seems menial.

The new program has broad social ramifications, one aspect of which was discussed by Jean MacKenzie Pool of the Radcliffe Institute, which is cooperating with the Boston project by inviting its members to be trained as "employers."

"We have found that as soon as there is any sort of turnover in the household help, a woman must stop whatever she may be doing—such as writing a book or studying to be a doctor—and return to the home until everything is on an even keel again. Seeing this happen at the Institute made it apparent that working outside the home was possible only when women knew their homes and families were responsibly cared for while they were absent. Here was a loss to our society—women wishing to go back to school, hopefully to give of their talents in solving some of the problems of the world, but unable to do so because they could not obtain help in the home. A solution to this problem would affect our entire society. To change attitudes toward housework, to train people to keep house competently, to reward people adequately as in any secure job was a problem in which all women, regardless of financial means or educational background, should interest themselves. All work is interrelated, and in order to leave the home to pursue any specialized interest, you have to be certain that your home and family are cared for by responsible people."

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Pittsburgh develop "fringe" benefits for top executives

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nder this plan the apartment ller requests a "package" ch might consist of having eone come in from two to six ock on Tuesdays and Thurs- s and follow instructions the nemaker has left. For exam- "Dear Mrs. Briggs: Just ighten things up today—no vy cleaning, except for the lace. Polish the copper ket- and the silver, if you have e. The marketing list is in the hen. Pick up the cleaning be- the shop closes at 5:30." en the career woman comes ne at 6:15, her evening is off pleasant start with this lift home. The organization bills for the service, making all deductions, which in itself is rvice to the homemaker.

his idea is still in the devel- nent stage. In the meantime, est Ward, the project direc- says that they are concen- ing entirely on cleaning and when Federal support ends, RGE will become self-sustain- as an employment agency, ctioning as a cooperative.

HEART is the well-chosen ne of the Philadelphia project, nding for Household Employ- nt Association for Re-Evalua- and Training. In addition to ning household technicians holding seminars for em- yers this group will seek to develop insurance coverage for household workers, as well as health and community services such as day-care centers.

Founder-director of HEART is Mrs. Uvelia S. A. Bowen, who has served as a national consultant to VISTA and has made an important contribution to social welfare over a period of 20 years. She feels the household help problem is due to a lack of communication, that the employer has a great deal to learn about human relations and must develop a new appreciation of household skills, an appreciation that can best come about by actually doing the task herself: ironing the shirt, making the bed, and so on. In Philadelphia, there is a waiting list of homemakers who want to attend the seminars and learn how to be an employer.

The New York City project also trains employers and has set up an attractive training center in the heart of Manhattan for the use of its household technicians. Another objective is to develop new related job opportunities.

This program is being watched with unusual interest because it is the one with the most commercial mandate: It is setting out to prove that household work is desirable employment, that the pay can be attractive, and that even after deducting employee benefits, it is possible for an employment agency to make a profit.

Tuition payments needed for household workers

Edward Blackoff, head of Household Management, Inc., the contracting agency in New York working with NCHE, brings to the assignment considerable expertise, having been for almost ten years the director of a chain of agencies specializing in domestic employees. Mr. Blackoff feels that an employment agency operating in the normal business fashion cannot absorb the expense of training, as is being done in the pilot program, and thinks an important adjunct to the program would be to obtain tuition payments for household workers such as those available to nurses and members of other professions.

The National Committee on Household Employment has given some thought to this problem of education. Again, there is the question of status: this time, to give status to household work in the eyes of educators. The U.S. Office of Education is working with NCHE in developing a curriculum which hopefully will find its way into high-school classrooms. The Office of Education is releasing a guidebook jointly with NCHE, "Guide for Household Service Occupations," for administrators in public-school systems or service organizations.

The pilot project in Manhattan, Kansas, also has an educational thrust. It is being conducted by Kansas State University's Department of Home Economics. Their program is for women over forty-five years of age, who are receiving intensive training in homemaker services. It is hoped that small colleges throughout the Midwest will use it as part of their adult-education program.

Employer-worker relations set in new framework

Mary Schlick, Project Director of the National Committee on Household Employment, points out that the employer is just as important in this picture as the employee, a fact that may surprise many homemakers who have tended to think of this as a "worker" problem.

"The employer still presents our greatest problem," Mrs. Schlick says. "They simply do not realize their importance. We must make our women employers more businesslike in their relations with household help. They must understand they are legally responsible for social security and other deductions. They may not realize there is a fine, payable with interest, if deductions are not made. And there is a related point: When a worker pays social security and knows why she is paying, she begins to feel she is part of the labor force. She feels more important, and this changes her image of herself.

"Our country has great service industries," continues Mrs. Schlick. "We must learn to distinguish between being a 'servant' and giving 'service.' Everyone understands that for good service you always pay: for a good plumber, for instance, or for an electrician. Somehow, because most women can do some work around a house, they don't regard housework as the skill that it actually is."

On the employee side, Mrs. Schlick would like to change the worker's attitude so that she looks on household work as a job that may well lead to more responsible work with higher pay. "We are very interested in the new careers that we feel will develop from these pilot projects. A person may begin as a household technician and later become a home-management specialist."

If such terms as "household technician" sound cold to you and seem just one more step in the direction of de-personalizing our lives and putting us into the hands of the computer, consider that not all lies in a name. There was a time in our country when each household had its Hilda or Gretchen. There was much affection, mutual respect, and mutual trust. The world has changed, society has changed, our lives have changed, and in many ways, although our needs remain the same, we have been out of touch.

In the new view, the homemaker is, in effect, saying: "I respect your wish to be a working and contributing member of our society, and I recognize your need of financial stability. You are important to me and my family. I will pay you on a professional scale." In reply, the worker is saying, "I respond to your need because I know that you respect me and my training."

If individuals can achieve mutual respect and trust on this professional basis within the household circle, it may well point the way to greater understanding and appreciation on a larger scene.

Note to Readers: If you are interested in these pilot projects and would like to have more information about participation in your area, write to: Mrs. Mary Schlick, Project Director, National Committee on Household Employment, 1346 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. ■

For information on individual projects:

Alexandria, Virginia: SURGE, Washington Urban League Inc., 219 South Alfred St., Alexandria, Va. 22314.

Boston: Women's Service Club, 464 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, Mass. 02118.

Chicago: Household Employment Project, The YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago, 1001 North Dearborn, Chicago, Ill. 60610.

Manhattan, Kansas: Department of Family Economics, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

New York City: Household Management, Inc., 131 E. 23rd St., New York, New York 10010.

Philadelphia: HEART, 4131 North Broad St., Philadelphia, Penna. 19140.

Pittsburgh: Ethnic Foundation, Inc., 535 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Penna. 15219.





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Black and white accented with copper and steel, softened with patterned, imported tiles, forms sophisticated urban kitchen. Terra-cotta tiles pave the floor. Designed by Helen Constantino Fioratti of L'Antiquaire for Mr. and Mrs. William R. Salomon.

17 interior designers give their views on

THE FACE LIFT IN THE KITCHEN

By HARRIET MORRISON

With the tremendously growing interest in more personal and more gourmet cooking . . . all the marvelous technical improvements in equipment . . . and the beautiful new utensils, the kitchen has become the great room of the house for a face lift. Although the concepts vary from laboratory, no-nonsense workroom to Country French, library, woodworking shop, indoor garden with bird cage in the window —the urge to have a new kitchen is intense and coast to coast. House Beautiful here records the candid, favorite plans of 17 of our leading interior designers and decorators.

Melanie Kahane. "The kitchen is the hub of the house today as much as it ever was." says Melanie Kahane, of New York. "People want to be where the action is, so they want to be in the kitchen." She believes this calls for a plan that integrates the working part of the kitchen with a living area, whether a terrace, dining space, or a second living room. "The idea," she explains. "is to buttress functionalism and allow for free expression." She likes to see base cabinets, counters, and wall cabinets in a mixture of textures and colors. She also feels every kitchen needs one grand gesture, like a framed print, a marvelous clock, or simply one wall of smashing color. "The smallest kitchen has one free space for something wonderful."

Otto Zenke. For the cheerful kitchens he likes, North Carolinian Otto Zenke uses a mixture of natural materials. One kitchen he designed has a brick floor, panels of cane on cabinet doors, and a ceiling painted a coral color. Backsplash areas over counters are paved with patterned clay tiles. "One cork wall makes a good bulletin board." he notes.

The Lehmans. "Kitchens are for cooking," says Camille Lehman, New York. Her own 11′ by 6′6″ city kitchen is planned for activity. Against white walls and white cabinets hang rows of utensils. Often-used tools are duplicated on the wall near both sink and range. "Anyone can come into my kitchen and make an omelet or a sandwich, and never have to ask where anything is," she says.

Dorothy Paul. To Dorothy Paul, of Los Angeles, kitchens are warm, friendly places. She likes carpet in a stripe, tweed or texture on floors, wood cabinets with countertops in a matching wood-grain plastic laminate. "Fill it with things you use," she says. "Pots, pans, and aspic molds make handsome accessories."

Daren Pierce. Cookbook author and interior designer Daren Pierce, of New York, is firmly on the side of clinical kitchens. In his own small city kitchen, tools and utensils hang on hooks in two neat rows across the wall. "The idea is not to have to dig into a drawer or wonder where the maid put the measuring spoons," he observes.

James Merrick Smith. The overall effect of a paneled library appeals to James Merrick Smith, of Coconut Grove, Florida. He likes an all-of-a-piece look, in the sense of furniture, with no one piece of equipment jumping out in sharp contrast to its surroundings. In this context, he likes to use one of the growing number of plastic laminates in a wood-grain pattern for wall and base cabinets, countertops, backsplash areas.

Norman Foster. "It's no longer possible to close the door and have a white workroom for a kitchen," believes Norman Foster, of Corpus Christi. The kitchen is to a woman what an office is to a man. It's a place where each spends a great deal of time." This designer treats kitchens as warm and pleasant workrooms composed of tile, wood, steel, and copper.

Vincent Fourcade. "Some people want a living room with a kitchen in it," says Vincent Fourcade of Denning & Fourcade, New York. One he designed holds a marble fireplace, a sofa, an antique English oak gateleg table, and a tile-encased cooking island under a large black hood. Textured, hexagonal-shape brown clay tiles pave the floor and blue printed linen covers walls. The sofa is in red.

Elisabeth Draper. "I hate kitchens," says Elisabeth Draper, of New York—not everyone likes to cook! To make the kitchen as palatable as possible, she places a sun-filled bay window with chairs and tables within hearing distance of bubbling pots. Her recipe for kitchen design is two-thirds "engine room" (workroom) and one-third bay-window alcove filled with sunshine and plants. In the one-third living area she places a canary in a hanging cage, a box of pebbles and potted plants, a dropleaf table, light-scaled armchairs, and a basket of knitting. In the "engine room" all is sparkling, crisp, and clean. She likes bleached pine or light cherrywood cabinets with white porcelain door pulls, off-white floors and walls. On the ceiling: flowered vinyl paper in pink and green on white.

Lucien Therrien. New Yorker Lucien Therrien likes to break up walls with color to get away from the regimented look. He varies colors from floor to ceiling. For example, he might do base cabinets in screaming orange, countertops in off-white vinyl speckled with yellow, wall cabinets in green. On the ceiling he would place a large-scale vinyl print incorporating green, orange, and white. The floor would be green vinyl in the popular alligator texture.

Anthony Hail. San Francisco's Anthony Hail favors a kitchen with a Louis XVI country flavor. Paneled oak cabinet doors adapted from *boiserie* adorn walls. The floor is paved in wonderful Mexican tiles and from the ceiling hangs a bronze Spanish lantern. Lighting over work areas is very modern.

John Dickinson. "By all means have lots of color, if you want," says John Dickinson, of San Francisco, "but not everyone likes lots of color." His own kitchen is a mix of wood tones and white lacquer. He has scraped-bare wood floors, natural wood chopping-block counters, wood cabinets in a high-gloss white finish, and a collection of enameled white iron cookware equipped with oak handles. White shutters at the window frame a view of a garden greenery on the terrace.

Albert Herbert. "Let the tools be the decoration," says Albert Herbert, of New York. "The French have the most expressive and beautiful kitchens because all the things used to prepare food in French kitchens are so attractive." He wishes everyone would buy beautiful tools.

Richard Himmel. "I'm a big eater, so I'm crazy about kitchens," says Richard Himmel, of Chicago. He believes in incorporating varied family activities in the kitchen. "Everyone winds up there anyway," he points out, "so why not enjoy it?" He favors making space for hobbies such as reading, desk work, woodworking, and indoor gardening as well as dining. At present he's designing a large kitchen using the wheel concept with four sections fanning out from a central cooking island. The cook can step back from the range at the hub of the wheel, into a lounge area. He'll have carpeted floor, tiled wall, and built-in bookcases.

Janean. Designer Janean of San Francisco has been known to put Oriental rugs on hardwood floors in kitchens. She feels people want to get away from the white-uniformed look. One scheme she likes has soft yellow walls, white cabinets painted yellow inside, white brick-patterned floor, and colorful Portuguese tiles on backsplash areas. Panels of glazed white birch on cabinets cover refrigerator and dishwasher.

Vladimir Kagan. Kitchens are space and motion to Vladimir Kagan, of New York. He likes to arrange equipment to allow fluidity of movement around a central island. Because it's a laboratory environment for working, he stresses the need for crisp cleanliness, white backgrounds. This designer is against eating in the kitchen. "The dining room is the appropriate environment for mealtime," he comments. "Not the kitchen."

Joseph Braswell. "A kitchen is a fresh and airy place," says Joseph Braswell, of New York. "It's either very small and inconspicuous or a very big room where people gather." Either way, he's against a thematic or stylistic approach, preferring instead a no-nonsense treatment for people who go into kitchens to work. However, the room need not be dull. He likes butcher-block and vanilla marble for countertops because they are both useful and beautiful. For floors, glazed ceramic tiles in bisque white or mushroom color—no pattern. "Pattern is great on ceilings," he notes. His pattern choices include simple geometrics such as cane or fretwork.



JOSEPH LA MORTE

TO SEA—IN COMFORT

The open sea—a man's world no longer. Change is in the wind. The yacht, once a world of brassy masculine efficiency, is yielding to color and comfort, as its status as a second home has grown. Pictured here and following is the "Bountiful," a 60′ yacht with a fresh look at boat design. Myrtle Corbman, the owner and a professional designer, started with a skeleton hull, laid out the areas below deck, enclosed the lounge, expanded the flying bridge for sunbathing—in short, changed the whole profile. Home port for the roomier, more comfortable "Bountiful" is Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Mrs. Corbman is now involved with various phases of boat design for the Chris Craft Corp., as well as designing yachts for private owners.

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The bridge, opposite, has unusual space for a boat of its size. All business when the "Bountiful" is under way: at anchor, a sunny place to entertain guests. The lounge, above and top right, is now glass-enclosed, with a sit-down bar, walkways on all sides—new luxuries on a yacht. The mood here is relaxed. The décor, a sophisticated mix of white wicker, vinyl, and a shag rug. The master stateroom, center and bottom photographs, is in fashion-wise black-and-white spiked with yellows and blue—a far cry from the usual sea scheme.

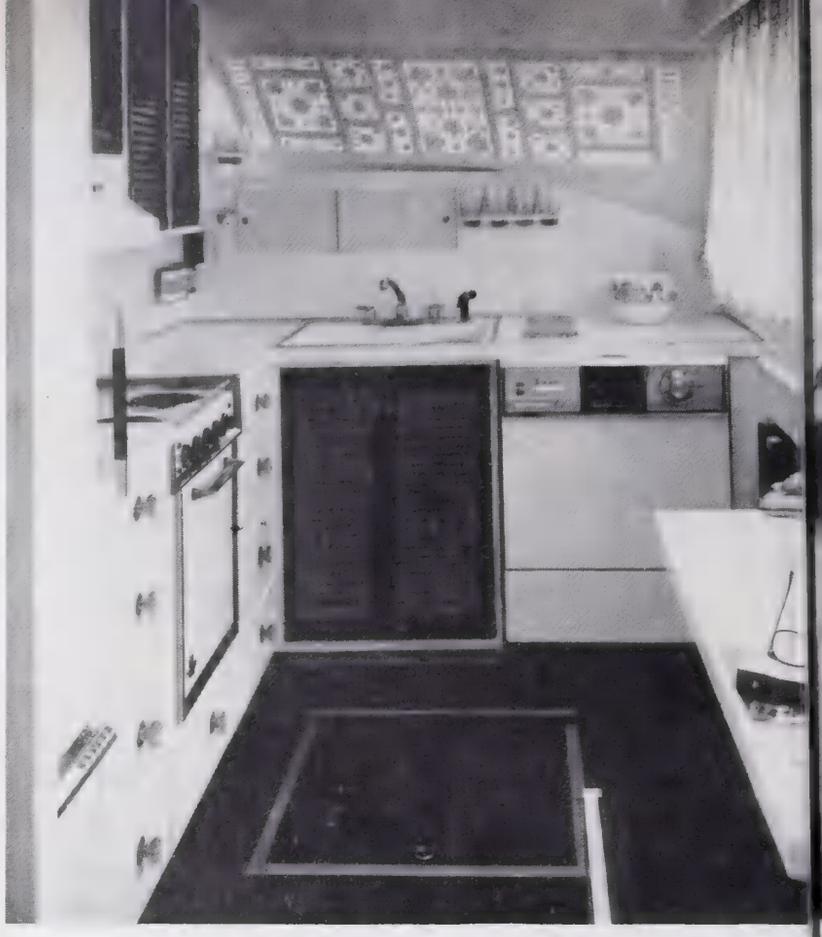
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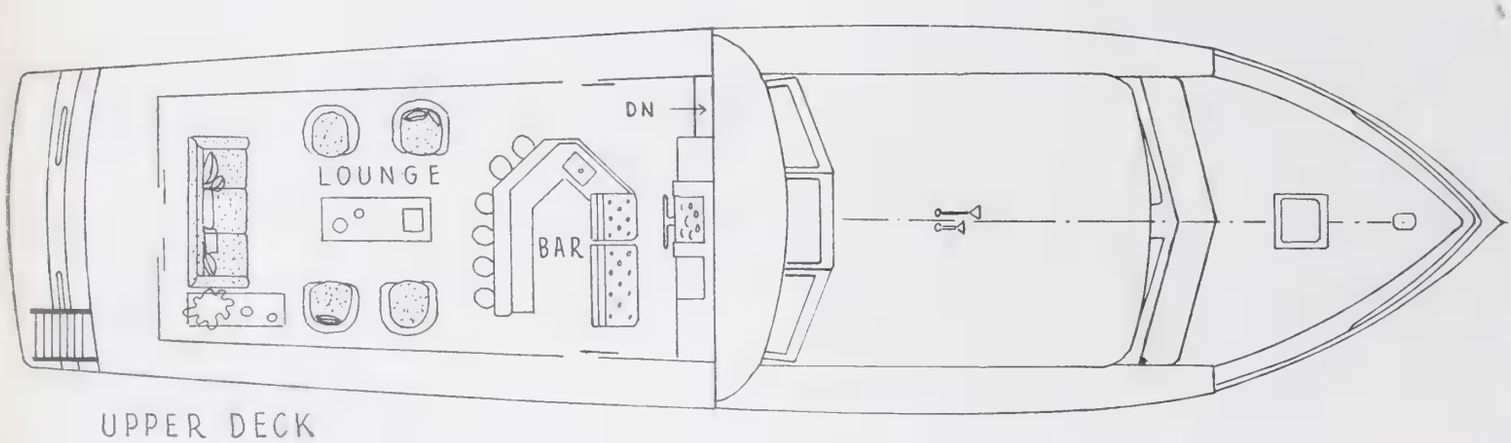


TO SEA—IN COMFORT

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Common sense, good judgment, and principles basic to all good design were the key ingredients in the total reworking of the "Bountiful." In the kitchen—hardly a "galley" when it is as spacious as this one is—pots used to slide into corners "only the fish could reach." Mrs. Corbman redesigned drawers to hold all fast. Space, a flood of sunlight, and the luxuries of a full-size refrigerator, a real range, and a dishwasher make life a pleasure for the seagoing cook, more accustomed to tight quarters and sandwich meals. An integral part of the design is the dining area, pictured far right, adjacent to the galley (see plan). It seats eight comfortably and has built-in storage for china, linens.





UPPER DECK

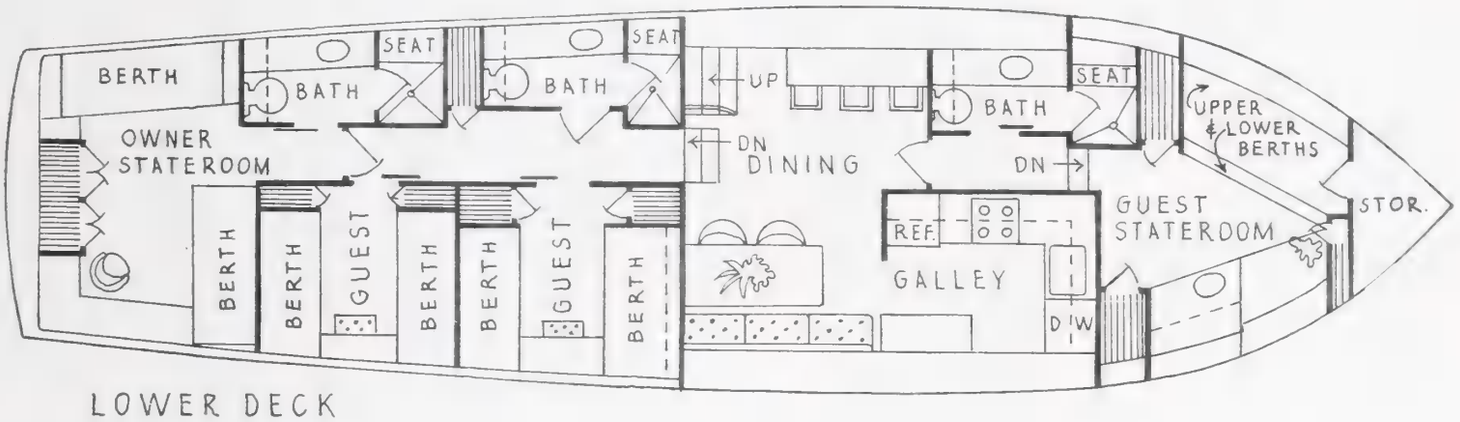
Entertaining guests is an important function of the second home—so too with the "Bountiful." Guest quarters are ample, and, in many ways, eye-opening for landlubbers. Even the bath, right, is stocked with the comforts of home. In the bow are double-deckers for younger guests. Storage is built into every available corner. Shutters are a mildewproof alternative to the usual window curtains. Bright yellow lights up another guest stateroom, far right. The fabric for bolsters and bedspread continues up the wall. A practical note: the boat's generator develops ample power for complete air conditioning, other conveniences.

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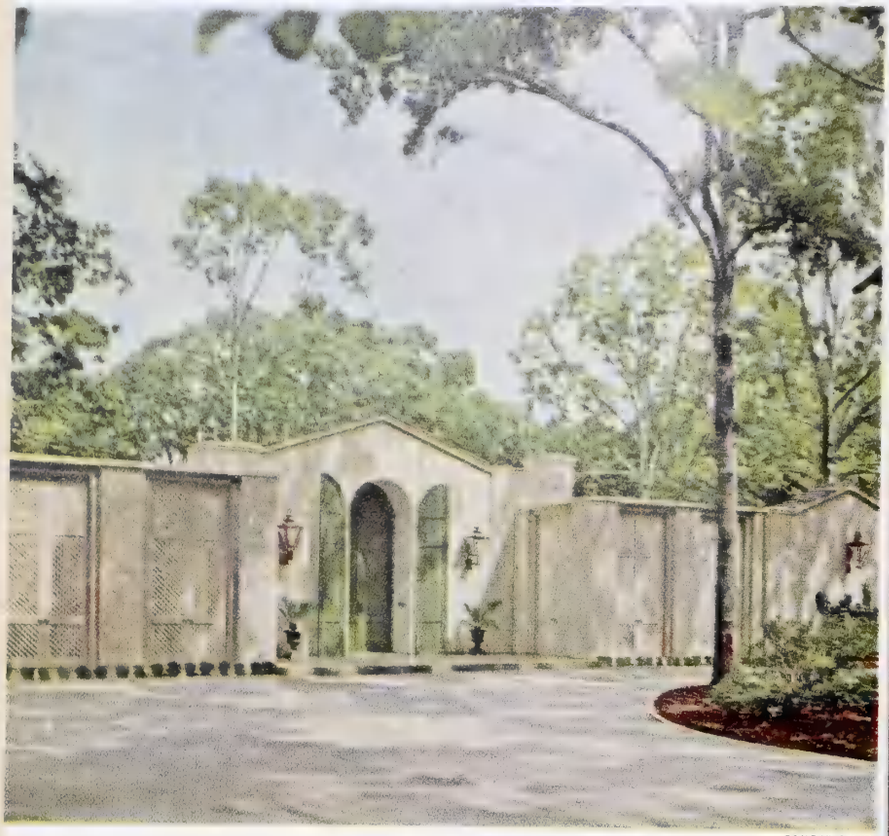


LOWER DECK

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ERNEST SILVA

THE ROMANTIC TOTALITY– PAST AND PRESENT

Greige-washed, pale-earth brick of Texas, breeze-catching treillage and planted patio of Creole America—traditions conjoined in this very contemporary indoor-outdoor house, the Houston home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Young. A further mix within—stately 18th-century English from the owners' former house, casual modern, and overtones of the East in rattan and lacquer. Over all, a sense of simultaneous appropriateness, the result of joint planning by Architectural Designer Roger Rasbach, Interior Designer William Parker McFadden, and Landscape Architects Byrd and Heiderich. (Continued)

Editors: ERANCES [illegible] *and* JAMES DE LONG

In the masonry tradition of the Spanish Southwest, façade and arched gates [illegible] give no clue to the life within. This is in fact [illegible] house, front and rear, both giving on a central, [illegible] and so linked by sheltered, tiled galleries that [illegible] equally to the swimming pool. Rear house [illegible] opposite] accommodates two bedrooms [illegible] guesthouse-cabaña.







Patio, centrum of the house, invites outdoor living in the shade of trellised arcades

All rooms in the Young house turn in toward the central patio, above left, an oasis of semitropical shrubs and flowers and water plants abloom in a small pool. Bordering this, sheltered galleries, flexibly furnished in cast-aluminum garden furniture, are skylighted and latticed to filter sun or moonlight. All invite the outdoor life whether it's a matter of solo suntanning or star-splashed evening galas for a large company. Curved bricks for the columns were hand-made. This view looks to the living room. Rough-sawn plank ceilings shelter the galleries and the broader poolside outdoor living room, left. All floors, within and without, are paved in specially cast mossy-green tile. Ceiling fans, echoing an older day, stir the breeze. Entrance door, opposite, opens on a gallery, the formal living room beyond partitioned by its sofa and the brilliance of a Chinese table. Its persimmon lacquer and the antiqued green of floor tiles key the bittersweet coloration that flows through the house. Above the fireplace, a painting by David Adickes. *More*

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Timelessly appropriate. traditional treasures furnish contemporary rooms that look to the outdoors

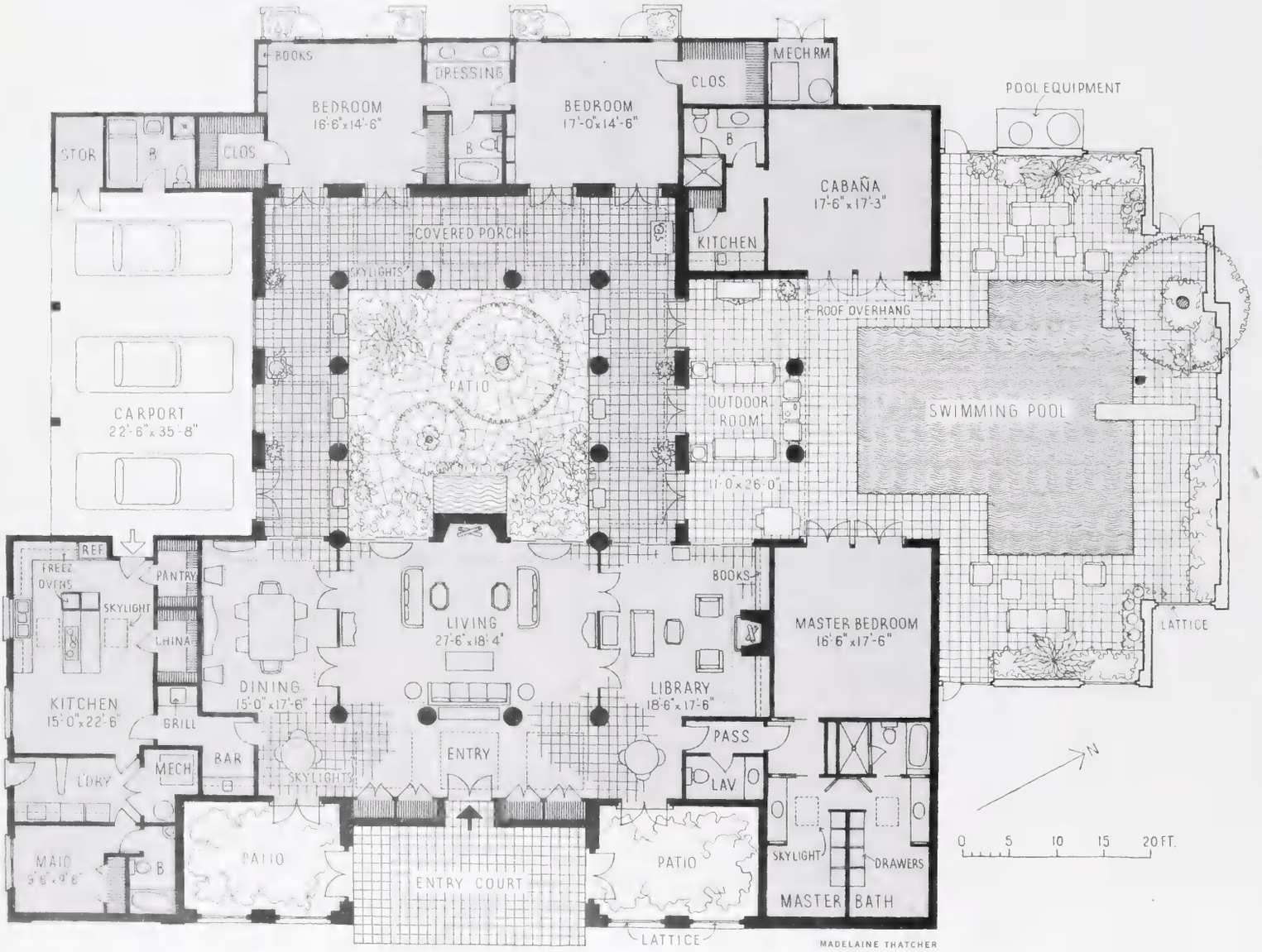
Furnishings of the Young house are a lovely sifting down of 18th-century acquisitions. formerly used in a more sizable. more enclosed conventional house. Proof of their timelessness: they adapt here to tiled floors. latticed openings. and the indoor-outdoor freedom of this contemporary plan. Much of the paneling here is bleached cypress. precious salvage from a New Orleans convent. Antique Flemish chandelier in the library. above. left. pairs with the one in the dining room. opposite. Armchairs and sofas are contemporary. Trellises. which light the ceilings. shutter the windows. and beguile the breezes. lend Creole romanticism and furnished Designer McFadden with the design motif for the living-room rugs. His also. the lamp design. left. The Hepplewhite elegance of the dining room, opposite. looks out to a lamplit gallery that passes by the patio and leads to the rear house and guest cabaña. See the complete floor plan of this nostalgic. thoroughly modern house on the next page.

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THE ROMANTIC TOTALITY– PAST AND PRESENT

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MADELAINE THATCHER

The plan: flexible, hospitable, in the tradition of the Southwest

The floor plan above reveals the extent and flexibility of the Young house and its several openings to patios and pools which encourage the casual life—qualities one might not guess at judging from its formal facade. The house took its dual nature [illegible] and Mrs. Young had personally observed their living needs. The owners themselves chose to live in the completely self-contained main house. The rear house was designed to accommodate two bedrooms and a completely equipped cabaña for guests. As frequent hosts in a part of the country that has a predilection for entertaining outdoors, they wanted galleries and loggias to be commodious *alfresco salas*. Even the carport can be transformed for entertaining, its floor carpeted with pine needles, its arched openings hung with gaily striped canvas.

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THE RESTFUL CHARMS OF NEW ORLEANS GARDENS

By ELVIN McDONALD



FRANK LOTZ MILLER

Great live oaks and magnolias frame the main house at Evergreen Plantation, which dates from the turn of the 19th Century. Formal hedged plots blaze with massed flowers in front; in back, kitchen gardens and orchards stretch to meet the cane fields.
OWNER: *Mrs. Matilda Gray*

From the sequestered patios of the French Quarter to plantation pigeonniers and collonaded summerhouses, the gardens of New Orleans are made for the pleasures of living outdoors. Mysteriously forbidding gates open from the streets to tranquil courtyard gardens protected by high walls draped in ivy and jasmine. Underfoot, worn bricks wear the patina of age, and lichen-covered statuary reposes in the shade of giant magnolias and oaks. Ancient crape myrtles thrust bouquets of shimmery flowers to iron-galleried townhouses dating back to the 1790's. Canopies of bougainvillea bloom over shuttered windows and balconies, and sweet-olive releases its all-pervading perfume. These gardens are rooted in the best of French and Spanish traditions, but as today's surrounds for entertaining and dining alfresco, they have a style that is strictly New Orleans. *More*

THE RESTFUL CHARMS OF NEW ORLEANS GARDENS *continued*



Stylish rose trees, young magnolias, boxwood, and wall fountain, above, in newly planted patio of a recently restored Garden District house.
OWNERS: *Mr. and Mrs. George F. Farnsworth, Jr.*

Boxwood frames azalea trees and ajuga, below, with yew, camellias, jasmine, St. Augustine grass, and flagstones in green-and-white garden.
OWNERS: *Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark Bolton*

FRANK LOTZ MILLER



Oleander tree flowers, above, with caladiums, crotons, geraniums, citrus, staghorn ferns, and aralia on Vieux Carré patio of 1828 house.
OWNERS: *Stephen Scalia and Milton Melton*

Espaliered camellia and pyracantha create illusion of space in small patio, below. Stair to rooftop terrace. Caladiums edge entry pool.
OWNER: *Mrs. C. S. Williams*









Granite-block patio in garden of the Frank G. Strachans, above, is tented when used for parties. Pots of pink caladiums wrapped in Spanish moss accent fountain. Background of Sasanqua camellia hedge and cherry-laurel.

THE RESTFUL CHARMS OF NEW ORLEANS GARDENS

continued

The eight acres of Longue Vue Gardens form a spectacular setting for the home of Mrs. Edgar B. Stern. Fountains in pebble mosaics, like the one upper right, border the walled Spanish garden. A small wall sweeps from main house to a lily-pad fountain, lower right. Saucer magnolia and cross Sasanqua ring terrace, opposite, with pots of red-leaf Cannarias and cyclamen. Longue Vue Gardens are now open Wednesdays and Sundays weekly, ten to four.

HOSSE — MILLER







In some professional kitchens, the more adventurous have abandoned the long-established, laborious techniques for making pâte feuilletée *(puff paste),* pâte sucrée *(sweet pastry),* pâte brisée *(short pastry), and* pâte à choux *(cream-puff pastry)—the "big four" in classic French pastry—and turned to that miracle of the American* batterie de cuisine, *the electric mixer equipped with the flat beater. To traditionalists this is just short of heresy, but to those of us who have worked with these "new" doughs and see how they perform, the results are stunning.*

We present here the four basic recipes, with extensions of each, in the hope you will be inspired to try your hand with one of the most fascinating cooking arts—French pastry, the modern way. By HELEN McCULLY *and* JACQUES PÉPIN

FOUR CLASSIC FRENCH PASTRIES

step into the 20th Century

Pâte Feuilletée
[Made in the electric mixer]

The dough is much softer than when the pastry is made in the traditional way but it was our experience in working with it that it turned out an equally fine, tender, multileaved, rich crust. This is not to indicate to the cook, new to this beautiful pastry, that it can be mastered quickly but we encourage every serious cook to learn to make it by this modern method.

1¾ cups (3½ sticks) sweet butter
3⅓ cups (1 pound) instant blending or all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup ice water

The temperature of the butter should be cold enough for a heavy sharp knife to cut through it cleanly. To cut the butter, split each bar in two with a heavy, sharp knife; again in two, making four strips. Then cut the strips into squares (eight to a strip). Combine the flour and salt in the mixer's bowl. Add the pieces of butter and toss them in the flour so they are coated. Wrap the top of the bowl with a fresh dish cloth to keep the flour from flying out. Using the flat beater, turn mixer on to medium and mix *exactly one minute*. Time yourself. Turn off the motor. Add the water, sprinkling it all over the flour. Turn mixer to medium and work the dough this time *exactly ten seconds*. Turn out of the bowl onto a lightly floured pastry cloth.

Now come the all-important steps: the rolling of the dough and the secret of its flakiness. This must be done meticulously, and we recommend you use a ruler to guide you, for neatness and accuracy are of the very essence. Further, when rolling, the narrow end of the dough should always parallel the edge of the table.

Shape the dough into a flat cylinder and roll into a long, neat strip, approximately 20 by 8 inches, ½ inch thick. Now make the first "turn," a single one, by folding the dough in three, starting at the narrow end. Take care to see there is never any flour between the folds because it will stop the dough from rising.

Place dough with narrow end parallel to the table. Roll to make the second "turn," again into a long strip, the same size, again fold in three. The third "turn" is a double turn. Roll the dough and fold the ends of the strip so they meet in the center. Then fold the two halves together. Wrap dough in a lightly floured cloth and allow it to rest in the refrigerator for 30 minutes or until the dough holds a print when pressed with a finger. For the fourth "turn," roll strip the same size and make a double turn. For the fifth "turn," again roll in the same manner and make a single turn. The dough at this point is somewhat rubbery so it should rest again for at least 30 minutes. Ideally, *pâte feuilletée* should be made a day ahead, giving it long resting period and making it easier to use.

Millefeuilles [Napoleons]

⅓ recipe pâte feuilletée, above
1 recipe crème pâtissière, page 118

Sprinkle the pastry cloth lightly with flour. Roll the pastry out in one piece *almost* the length and breadth of your baking sheet (sheet should measure at least 14 by 16 inches), no thicker than ⅛ inch thick. Roll it up on the rolling pin, then unroll on the baking sheet. Prick the dough nine times, three down and three across, with the tines of a fork. Refrigerate 30 minutes. To bake, place in the center of a preheated 400° oven and bake for about 25 minutes or until the pastry is puffed and golden. Cool on sheet.

To finish Napoleons, place the baking sheet on a firm, flat surface. Using a sharp, heavy knife, trim off all the edges evenly, then cut the pastry into three even strips. Place one strip, *the underside down* on a flat surface and cover with *crème pâtissiere*, add a second strip and more of the crème, finish with third strip with *underside on top*. [*Continued on next page*]

Four classic French pastries

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Now press the whole cake gently to make it flat and even so that the *crème* mixes with the flakes of the pastry. Spread the top with a light coating of the *crème* and scatter some of the pastry crumbs, crumbled fairly fine, over the top of each Napoleon. Finally, sift confectioners sugar over all. Again, using a heavy, sharp knife, cut the Napoleon into six rectangles, making good clean strokes.

Note: Napoleons should be served soon after they are completed and kept in a cool place rather than in the refrigerator.

Bouchées

[Individual Patty Shells]

½ recipe *pâte feuilletée*
1 egg

Roll chilled pastry no more than ¼ inch thick on a slightly floured pastry cloth. Cut with a 3- to 3½-inch sharp cookie cutter. If the cutter isn't sharp and doesn't cut cleanly, the pastry won't rise properly. Then using a 1½-inch cookie cutter, cut the center of each circle *about* halfway through (these become the little caps that top the filled *bouchées*). Cover a baking sheet with wax paper. Pull away the trimmings* (in French, *rognures*), then lift the circles onto the prepared baking sheet. Beat the egg up with a fork, then brush the tops only, taking care not to let any egg dribble down the sides or the shells won't puff up. Chill for 20 to 30 minutes.

Bake in a preheated 400° oven for about 30 minutes. Lift to a cake rack to cool. When cool, lift off the little "caps" and scrape out the soft dough carefully with the point of a small sharp knife. Makes eight or ten shells, which are served heated filled with creamed shellfish, chicken, or sweetbreads, topped with the pastry caps.

**Note*: Wrap the trimmings in a dampened cloth and refrigerate (see *palmiers* and *fleurons*, below).

To make *Vol-au-*[illegible] the exact same procedure, [illegible] an eight- or nine-inch [illegible] as a guide for size. Cut [illegible] it with a very sharp knife precisely, then make a circle the exact same procedure, using inches, cutting only halfway through the dough. Bake and finish as you do the *bouchées*.

Bande de Fruits

[Fruit Strip]

An interesting presentation, especially inviting for an important party, that calls for both *pâte brisée* and *pâte feuilletée*.

⅓ recipe pâte brisée
Trimmings from pâte feuilletée

Roll the *pâte brisée* on a lightly floured cloth about the length of the baking sheet, seven inches wide. Roll up on the rolling pin and unroll on the baking sheet. Trim off the edges to make a strip 6½ by 14 inches. Roll *pâte feuilletée* into a strip, about 14½ inches long, ⅛ inch thick. Cut into two strips. Brush the edge of the *pâte brisée* on both sides with cold water, the width of the *pâte feuilletée*. Place the two strips on either side of the *pâte brisée*. With the back of a knife blade make a crosshatch design the full length of the *pâte feuilletée* on both sides. Prick the *pâte brisée* several times with the tines of a fork. Refrigerate for 20 to 30 minutes.

Brush the *pâte feuilletée* strips *only* with a beaten egg, taking care not to allow the egg to dribble down the sides or the pastry won't puff. Place in a preheated 400° oven and bake for approximately 25 minutes. Cool.

To finish: Coat the *pâte brisée* part of the strip with a rich layer of *crème pâtissiere*. Arrange the fruits, fresh or canned, down the full length of the strip in an attractive design. Brush the fruit with whichever glaze, page 118, that is suitable. Then trim off the ends of the strip evenly. You may, if you wish, sprinkle confectioners sugar on the two strips of *pâte feuilletée*.

As is true of all pastries, this is at its best served soon after it is prepared. It is preferable not to refrigerate it but desirable to keep it cool.

Pithiviers

½ recipe for pâte feuilletée
1 egg
Confectioners sugar, sifted

Filling

[illegible] cup (6-ounce can) blanched almonds or filberts
[illegible] sifted confectioners
[illegible] cup (1 stick) butter, softened
[illegible] rum

Take the chilled pastry from the refrigerator and cut in half. Refrigerate one half. Sprinkle the pastry cloth lightly with flour and roll one half into a nine-inch circle, ¼ inch thick. Roll up on the rolling pin, then unroll on the baking sheet. Refrigerate.

Roll the second half out the same way, then roll up on the rolling pin, cover with wax paper, and refrigerate while you make the filling.

Place the nuts in the electric blender and grate them very fine. Beat the butter with an electric beater until soft. Stir in the nuts, sugar, eggs, and rum thoroughly.

Take the chilled pastry, on the sheet, from the refrigerator. Place an eight-inch cake pan, *bottom side down*, in the center of the pastry and mark a circle with the point of a small, sharp knife, using the pan as a guide. Remove the pan and fill the circle with the nut mixture, spreading it evenly *almost* to the edge. Now, with a pastry brush dipped in cold water, moisten a band at least an inch wide all around the outside of the marked circle. Take the rolling pin from the refrigerator and unroll the pastry, centering it over the filling. With your fingers, press the top pastry so it will adhere to the bottom. Next, invert a 9″ cake tin over pastry, making sure it is centered.

Now, with a sharp knife cut around the rim of the pan, with your knife slightly at a slant so top pastry will be somewhat larger then the bottom. Lift the pan off carefully. To make a firm seal, take a small paring knife and press flat side down all around the edge of the pastry. In addition, this makes an attractive finish. Lift off pastry trimmings; wrap and refrigerate (see *palmiers* and *fleurons*, below).

With the point of your small knife, held vertically, mark or score—don't cut through—the top pastry in six or eight wedges, then make a spider-web design between the wedge marks. Beat egg yolk with a fork and brush pastry with a light coating, taking care not to dribble any of the mixture on the edge of the pastry or the pastry won't rise. Refrigerate ten minutes or longer.

To bake, place in the center of a preheated 400° oven and bake for 25 minutes. Then dust the top of the Pithiviers generously with confectioners sugar. Turn the heat to 550° and continue baking until the sugar caramelizes and gives the pastry top a high glaze. Take care to see the sugar doesn't burn. Lift from the baking sheet; cool on a cake rack.

To taste its best, the Pithiviers should be served within three or four hours after baking. You do not have to refrigerate it.

Palmiers

As you work with *pâte feuilletée*, there are always trimmings (*rognures*) which can be used to make other delicacies—specifically, these *palmiers* and *fleurons*.

Puff paste trimmings
Granulated sugar

Take whatever trimmings you have and make a ball. Sprinkle the pastry cloth with granulated sugar in place of the usual flour. Roll ball in a strip, as long as possible, ten inches wide and ⅛ inch thick.

Now make a mark to determine the center of the strip. Fold each long side inward into thirds. The two sides should meet exactly in the center. Then fold the two long halves together to make a compact six-layer roll. Coat with additional sugar. Wrap in wax paper and chill 20 to 30 minutes.

To bake, cut the roll into ¼-inch slices and place well apart on an ungreased baking sheet. Open the folds of each *palmier* a little with the point of a small knife. Bake in a preheated 400° oven for ten minutes. Turn with a spatula and bake only long enough for the *palmiers* to brown lightly—at most three to four minutes. Keep a sharp eye out because the sugar burns very easily and sometimes more quickly than you would believe. Lift from the baking sheet to cake racks to cool.

Fleurons

Puff paste trimmings
1 egg yolk

Make the trimmings into a ball. Sprinkle the pastry cloth lightly with flour. Roll the pastry ¼ inch thick. Cut into shapes such as crescents or even plain little rounds (done with the smallest cookie cutter). Brush tops lightly with the egg yolk whipped with 1 tablespoon cold water, taking care to see liquid does not drip down the sides or they won't puff.

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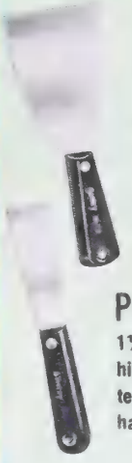


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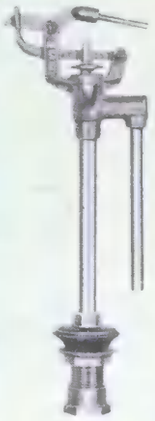


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The Host's Corner

How to mate food and spirits

For the purposes of cooking, follow the French lead: think of spirits as condiments. It is said that when a French chef is at a loss for something new, he'll toss a little brandy and a few shallots into the kettle, give the old dish a ritzy name, and *voilà*—a creation!

Brandy is a staple of French *haute cuisine*, and such bold, free-wheeling attitudes are natural there. Don't attempt to follow suit immediately. In time you'll develop a personal reference library of tastes and be able to handle spirits with similar aplomb. Meanwhile, here are enough specific applications, culled from many kitchens, to start you in the right direction.

Brandy

Brandy mates well with coffee. After sipping a *café noir*, the people of la Charente splash a little Cognac into the drained cup. The lingering coffee aroma mingles pleasantly with the Cognac.

As you'd expect, brandy and fresh grapes complement each other. Crosscut the bottom of seedless green grapes and marinate in brandy for a half hour. Spear with picks and dip in confectioners sugar for an ingratiating nibble. (When the grapes are gone, sip the nectarous liquor.)

In Gascony, home of both musketeer d'Artagnan and Armagnac, prunes achieve nobility by steeping in the native brandy for a week or so. A Las Vegas restaurant spikes its pancake syrup with brandy. A treat for late Sunday breakfast!

La Quetsch, a Parisian delicatessen, soaks Camembert in Cognac, then sprinkles with walnut meats. Thrifty French housewives sweep crumbles of Roquefort cheese into small crocks and moisten with brandy, transforming *fromage perdu* into a delicious spread—for crackers, melba rounds, toasted bread. Add Cognac to diced candied fruits and stir into puddings, cakes; sauce over ice cream.

Bourbon

Bourbon displays its fondness for chocolate in *mousse au chocolat* and in chocolate topping for ice cream. Grated bitter chocolate and a dollop of Bourbon in chili con carne is really something else.

Add a zip to salted (unsweetened) whipped cream with Bourbon, then adorn tomato soup with it. Stir a little Bourbon into bean soup, barbecue sauce, and ground beef for burgers.

Bourbon and peaches in any form is a marriage made in heaven. Sprinkle peach halves with brown sugar and Bourbon. Dab with butter, and broil. Scrumptious garnish! Split four or five vanilla beans and steep in a pint of Bourbon or brandy. After several weeks you'll have homemade vanilla extract with an extra flavor dimension.

Fruit brandies

Fruit brandies are cozy matches with fruits from which they're made, but don't hesitate to mix with other fruits. Kirsch and pineapple—a byword, almost like ham and eggs. Kirsch and strawberries or apricots, or *framboise* and raspberries are equally good. Sprinkle with sugar.

A little sweetening makes fruit brandies bloom. Gourmandaise, the dessert cheese, comes perfumed with kirsch. Take the obvious cue and cream Gruyère with kirsch or Calvados. Don't forget the kirsch in duckling Montmorency and Swiss fondue.

Americanize French onion soup with a soupçon of applejack. One of Manhattan's finer restaurants serves a vivacious apple sorbet made with Calvados. Similarly, a modest dashing of pear brandy vitalizes lemon sherbet.

Rum

A light splash of rum, no more, accents sautéed mushrooms and revives canned cream of mushroom soup. Rum befriends chocolate, coffee, pineapple, lemon, and lime. Marinate pineapple in rum, then dip in batter and deep-fry. No rum? Applejack will do handsomely.

When making chocolate pudding, separate the children from the adults by stirring a teaspoon or so of rum into each grown-up portion. (Gild the lily by topping with whipped cream to which crème de cacao or coffee liqueur has been added.) Rum in icings and fillings for cake—*delicioso*.

Scotch

Scotch is not nearly so gregarious as rum, but its smoky tones add vigor to fish sauces and fumé and, unexpectedly, to English trifle. The Scots stir it into marm

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Authors of Whiskey in the Kitchen

ade. And Scotch whiskey basted over a roasting loin of pork comes highly recommended.

Liqueurs

Liqueurs, the *dolce vita* branch of the spirit family, lend themselves more easily to improvisation. They can be sauced over sherbets and ice cream directly from the bottle, mixed into parfaits, spooned over fruit.

Try crème de menthe with pineapple, cherry with orange ice, blackberry on grapefruit sections. Roiano or chartreuse over fruit cocktail. Pit the verve of ginger liqueur against smug canned pears, against oleaginous duck or pork. Make up your own minted pears by marinating in crème de menthe: serve with lamb—a cunning replacement for mint jelly.

Orange liqueur is engagingly versatile. It goes with just about everything—dessert omelets and soufflés, carrots, sherbets, pork, duck, chicken. Tip: When using liqueurs with meat, poultry, or fish, you may want to cut the sweetness with lemon juice, brandy, or whiskey.

Lashings of anesone in coffee is a Roman tradition. One coffee emporium in New York's Italian community takes the logical next step. They soak the beans in an anise liqueur prior to grinding.

More conventionally, moisten the rim of a coffee cup with anisette, then swirl in sugar. Sip the coffee through a licorice bouquet. Double your pleasure—coffee liqueur in coffee. Drop sugar crystals remaining in a bottle of Fior d'Alpi into coffee.

Bastings

Spirits combined with butter and other seasonings make inspired bastes. Open with gin, parsley, and butter on sole: curaçao, lemon juice, and butter on chicken; Bourbon and butter on lamb.

Preservings

In a prerefrigerator era, spirits did double duty as preservatives. Restaurant chefs today store fresh truffles in brandy—to preserve *and* to flavor. Plantation cooks swathed fruitcakes in Bourbon-saturated cheesecloth to similar ends. Heavy paper soaked in whiskey, rum, or gin was used as a cover to keep jelly free of mould.

An old recipe for preserved muskmelons concludes with this admonition. "Keep covered tight, in a cool place, with a paper wet in brandy or proof spirit on them." Still a good trick. Try it instead of paraffin.

Rules of the road

1. Essentially, cooking with spirits amounts to cooking *away* the alcohol. Liquor, like vanilla extract, loses its alcohol and most of its bite when boiled, leaving the good smells and tastes that stimulate only the appetite.

2. Allow enough cooking time for the alcohol to evaporate. A tablespoon of whiskey in a skillet, over a hot burner, needs only a moment or two. Ten minutes should be sufficient in most circumstances. Be especially careful to burn off all the alcohol when flaming just before serving. *Allow the fire to burn out naturally.* When feasible, simmer a minute or two after flames have died.

3. There are times when the bitter undertone of alcohol is welcome to cut the sweetness, as when using fruit brandies with desserts. But be wary when alcohol isn't cooked or flamed away, especially with high-proof spirits like the fruit brandies. A little goes a long way.

4. Generally, robust, full-bodied spirits are best in hearty, well-seasoned fare, and lighter-bodied types in delicate dishes.

5. Classic recipes often call for both wine and brandy. Some chefs add brandy to wine dishes even when not classically correct. With wines maturing younger and food cooking faster, they feel the need for brandy's body and fullness to support today's lighter wines. *Framboise* in a white-wine sauce, incidentally, is one to remember.

6. Working chefs use spirits to deglaze a pan in which meat or fish has been sautéed. The liquor loosens the browned, flavorful bits adhering to the pan. As the alcohol evaporates, the flavor essence of the spirit combines with the flavors in the pan, enriching the juices. If you don't care to make a complicated sauce, just swirl the spirit—brandy, bourbon, gin—with the pan juices, and use as a natural gravy. Dandy.

7. To bring up the aroma of a particular spirit, brush it fleetingly over a roast, broil, or cake as

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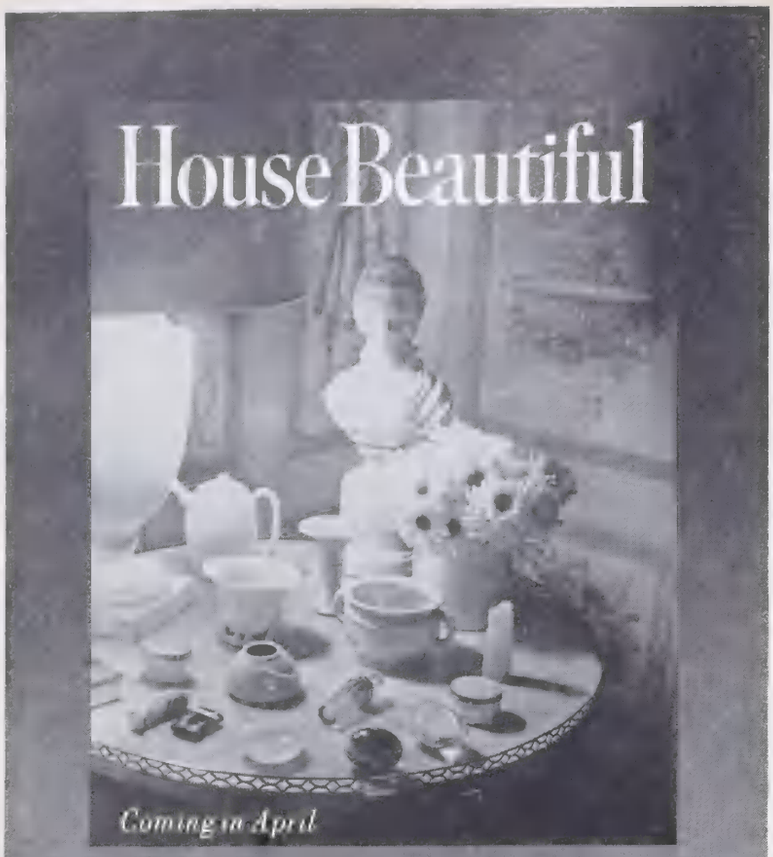


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it leaves the oven. This is comparable to the baker's trick of brushing warm cake with the expensive spread for a buttery halo.

8. When blending spirits with whole eggs or yolks, trickle in very slowly. Too rapid addition of spirits to eggs tends to coagulate (scramble) the eggs.

9. In hot soufflés, liquor helps to achieve a lighter, higher, hardier result. Heated alcohol stimulates egg and cream-sauce mixtures to puff and expand.

10. Too much liquor will delay or even prevent ice cream or other frozen desserts from freezing, since alcohol lowers the freezing point of a mixture.

11. Granulated sugar does not dissolve readily in liquor. When you want to combine sugar with liquor, first make up a simple syrup by combining a cup of sugar with a cup of water and heating until the sugar dissolves.

12. As with any condiment, moderation is the key to successful spirit cookery. The flavor should highlight, rather than dominate. If the liquor flavor is quickly apparent, chances are you' poured too generously. Use a lig hand until you know your wa around the whiskey bottle. Bett too little than too much.

13. There's no such thing cooking liquor. Use a quali product with a reliable name, you would in drinks. On the oth hand, it is both unnecessary an inappropriate to lace a gravy wit 20-year-old Scotch or Grande Fin Champagne Cognac. The only po sible exception is when using small quantity, uncooked. In suc instances a rare, aged spirit is splendid investment.

14. Liquor in the pot is neithe inebriating nor fattening. Whe the alcohol is driven off, it take with it the calories and intox cants. Liqueurs, with their suga dosage, are the exception. Bu even there the calories remainin are minimal.

15. Claims have been made tha spirits tenderize and improve th texture of meats and game. Ther is no scientific verification, but ou subjective impressions would con firm this belief. ■

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The changing roof

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shingles can easily go over worn roofing, saving the cost of tearing off the old roof.

Asphalt

Far and away the covering for the majority of residential roofs in the United States, asphalt shingles have advanced from big, floppy black rectangles to a sophisticated, rugged material.

The major companies also produce a Class "A" fire-rated shingle today. It contains an asphalt base, but additives like fiber glass and asbestos are a part of the new shingle. Class "A" is a mark given by Underwriter's Laboratories, and means the material passes the most severe fire-resistance testing. Normal asphalt shingles carry a Class "C" rate—still in the fire-resistant category.

Shingles are lasting longer, too. Many firms give the new combination shingles a 25-year guarantee.

A 235-pound shingle (so called because the amount to cover one square or 100 square feet of roo weighs 235 pounds) is the mini mum required by FHA now, and by most building codes. It's a serviceable shingle, but you'll fare better paying a slight pre mium and getting the heavy weights. Asphalt shingles now run up to 325 pounds.

These heavier weights have led to deeper shadow lines, and a dis tinct feeling of texture.

In most cases, even the heavy asphalt shingles can be applied over an old roof. At least once. A second round of new roofing may call for tearing off the old to prevent too much strain on the framing.

Cost for the average asphalt roof today would fall in the spread between $20 and $40 per square, applied to the roof.

Built-up roofing

Used over a flat or low-sloped roof, built-up refers to successive layers of roofing felt and bitu-

n, generally applied as a hot uid. For most residential roofs, s combination of materials is oped with crushed stone—often rble chips to produce a sur- e that helps reflect the sun's at in summer.

Cost of this roof is in the area $28 to $50 per square. Old ilt-up roofing must be removed fore new layers are applied. ie important point is not the oduct, but the reputation of the ofer, since the way in which e roof is put down determines w it will wear.

pper

hen so-called 16-ounce copper specified for a residential roof, d installed correctly, its life is tually indefinite.

The metal is laid down in sheet rm, and seamed vertically, from dge to eave. After about five ars of exposure to weather, the etal takes on a patina—a green- cast, and stays that way. Not commended for reroofing over existing roof material, applied st runs from about $180 to 50 a square.

ineral fiber

ill called asbestos-cement shin- es by many roofers, mineral- er shingles are very long last- g—in some cases, 40 years or ore. However, like slate or clay e, they may crack if struck rd by a falling tree limb in a orm, and the cracked shingles ould be replaced. Surface of e shingle is generally striated. d at least one maker produces shingle that closely resembles te. There is color choice.

Ordinarily, old roofing will ve to be removed before new neral fiber shingles are ap- ied. Installed cost runs around 5 to $70 a square.

te

natural material, applied to the of just as it's mined from the rth. Very few slate roofs last s than 50 years; many continue protect residential and church ofs beyond 100 years. Difficulty st of Ohio is finding an appli- tor who knows how to install te. It's mined essentially in rmont, Pennsylvania, and Vir- nia; costs around $75 a square the East Central states, closer $125 in the West because of ipping costs. Since it weighs ound 700 pounds per square, te can't be applied over old ofing; it must go over extra- avy beams and rafters. Most te is black, blue-black, or gray. t you can buy slate that is een, deep purple, or a green at turns to buff.

rne

metal alloy (80 percent lead; percent tin), terne is the coating over copper-bearing strip steel. This goes down in sheet form, much as copper. It must be painted in place, and periodically repainted. Kept up, terne metal has an indefinite life. Recently introduced: a new style—terne over nickel-chrome stainless steel. The big advantage is the elimination of painting. This terne takes on a uniform, dark gray tone. The metal is lightweight, lighter than wood shingles. Applied cost for regular terne runs from around $100 to $125 a square; for the new stainless-steel terne, from about $170 to $200 a square.

Tile

Two forms of tile are shown in the photograph on page 86. There are others, but essentially they resemble the first two. Roof framing must be specially braced for tile, which can weigh anywhere from 900 to 1,800 pounds per square. On a reroofing job, old roofing must come off, and the framing reinforced before tile is applied. Tile has been known to outlast the life of a house. Available in quite a wide range of colors, many of them vivid, tile goes down for somewhere between $70 and $180 a square.

Wood

One of the most popular roof materials in the country, wood shingles and shakes are also among the most historic. During earlier days, pine was used along with cedar. Today, Western red cedar is the number-one material, almost exclusively. These shingles are highly resistant to decay, provide considerable insulating value, and have been known to last as long as a house stands. Light weight makes both shingles and shakes adaptable to reroofing (right over old material), as well as to new roofing. Color varies from lemon-yellow to brown; bleaches to a lovely gray on the roof. Applied cost falls somewhere between $60 and $120 a square; slightly higher in some areas due to strong demand and short supply.

Due to absence of pitch or resin in the shingle, there is a natural resistance to flammability. In areas where the building code insists on a Class "C" roof or better, you may buy red cedar shakes or shingles treated with a fire-retardant chemical produced by Koppers. The treatment does not change the natural shingle color, and the treated shingle rates a Class "C" mark from U.L. Cost of the treated shingles is higher, from $90 to $150 a square.

For a list of roofing material manufacturers, from whom you can obtain more information and literature, write to Roofing, Room 932, House Beautiful, 717 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022. ■





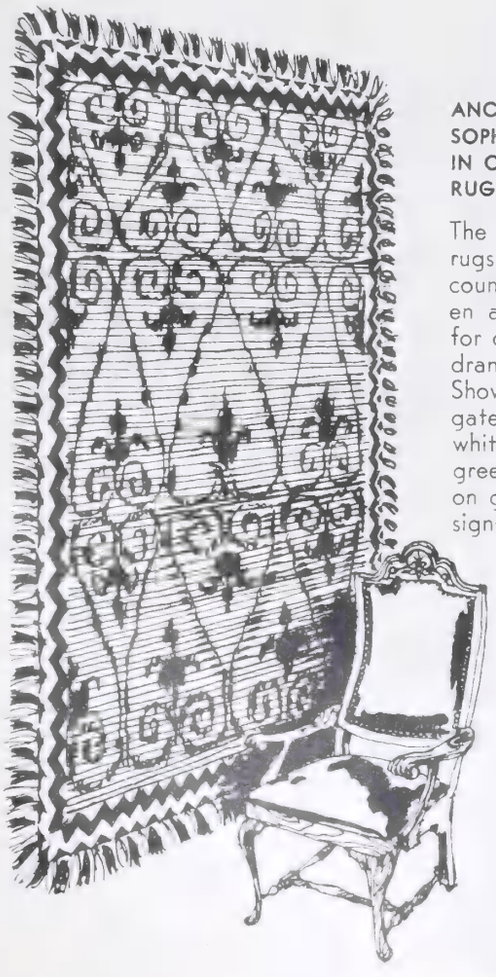


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Four classic French pastries

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Refrigerate for 20 to 30 minutes, then bake in a preheated 425° oven for ten minutes. Reduce heat to 275° and continue baking about ten to 15 minutes. Cool on wire racks. Serve as a garnish with dishes such as Coquilles St. Jacques or other creamed dishes made with seafood, or with creamed spinach.

Pâte Brisée

[Made in the electric mixer]

As with the *pâte feuilletée*, it is a departure to make this pastry in the electric mixer although chefs have apparently been doing it for years. Incredibly easy and fast, the result is a beautiful pastry that's easy to manage.

Pâte brisée, an all-purpose pastry, is used to make pies, tarts, tartlets, timbales, or croustades, which are filled with meat or fish; it also makes an excellent shell for luncheon entrees such as *Quiche Lorraine*, *Tarte à l'Oignon*, etc.

3⅓ cups (1 lb.) all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1½ cups (3 sticks) sweet butter, cut into pieces
½ cup water

Combine the flour, sugar, salt, and butter in the bowl of the mixer. Fix the flat beater to the shaft and before you start the beater, wrap a clean dish towel around the top of the bowl so the flour won't fly out. Start the beater at medium speed and mix until you have a "yellow" mixture—three to five minutes is sufficient. Stop the mixer, sprinkle on the water, and mix, at the same speed, *exactly ten seconds*. Time yourself. Turn out on a piece of wax paper and gather up into a ball. Refrigerate for 20 to 30 minutes before using.

Pâte Sucrée

[Made in the electric mixer]

This is a very rich, almost cookie-like crust that is especially delicious for fruit tarts.

3⅓ cups (1 lb.) all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons sugar
1 cup (2 sticks) sweet butter
2 egg yolks
½ cup water

Follow the same instructions as for *pâte brisée* with this exception: Before adding the water, beat it up with the egg yol then add to the mixture.

To make tart shells from ther pâte brisée or *sucrée*: R half the dough out on a ligh floured pastry cloth *no more* th ⅛ inch thick. Refrigerate the mainder until you are ready use the dough.

Have ready as many three- 3½-inch tart pans as you plan use. Cut the dough in squa one inch larger than the top the tart pan. Fold in four a drop (don't push it) the dou into the pan. Then push it into the indentations until it touc all sides. Cut off any dough t hangs over the edges. Prick bottom with the tines of a fo then cut squares of wax pa and drop into each pastry sh Fill with rice or dry bea (These can be stored and used definitely.)

Place the pans on a bak sheet and bake in a prehea 400° oven for 25 minutes. At t point lift the filling from shells and continue baking other five minutes or until c ters are completely cooked. Ta from the oven and while still h turn the patty shells out of pan; put them onto a cake ra and cool.

To fill tart shells: Spo enough *crème pâtissiere*, pa 118, to almost fill the shell. Th arrange the fruits you are usi in a design on top of the *crè* (see our picture, page 108). ing a pastry brush, coat the fr with whichever one of the gla (page 118) is suitable.

To make large tart shells usi a flan ring: Roll out the pas as you would for small t shells, above, rolling so that is about one inch larger than yo ring. Roll up on the rolling p Place the flan ring on the baki sheet. Center the rolling pin o the ring, then unroll and let drop loosely into the ring. Pr the dough lightly into the baki sheet. To make the sides of t flan sturdier, fold the surpl dough inside the ring with yo fingers, pressing it against t sides. Trim off any excess dou by rolling the pin over the t of the ring. Then with yo thumbs push the dough above t edge of the ring to make an ev rim of dough extending about inch. Make a decorative edge pressing the rim of pastry around, on a slant, with the d

of a table knife. Prick bot- of pastry several times with rk.

o keep the shell from collaps- line the shell with foil and with dry beans or rice. Re- erate if not baked at once.

o bake, place in the center of reheated 400° oven and bake 25 minutes. Lift the foil from shell and bake another few utes, if needed, or until the ter of the shell is cooked and tly browned. When cooked, l, then slide onto a serving te.

ince pastry shrinks slightly r baking, the flat ring is easily d off. Fill as you would small shells with *crème pâtissiere*, e 118. Arrange the fruit on top glaze with either Apricot or rant, page 118, whichever is able.

e à Choux

ade in the electric mixer]

up water
cup (1 stick) sweet butter
ch of salt
up sifted all-purpose flour
hole eggs

nbine the water, butter, and in a heavy saucepan. Bring boil, take off the heat, and in the flour all at once. Place k over very low heat and beat rously with a wooden spatula l the dough leaves the sides he pan and forms a ball. Then tinue to cook long enough, ring occasionally, to dry the ture and a slight crust forms the bottom of the pan. Take the heat. Cool slightly. Then r into the bowl of the electric er. Add the eggs one at a and beat with a wire whip, nedium speed, until the dough s shiny and glossy as satin. s amount makes 16 to 18 puffs clairs.

o make Cream Puffs: Drop dough by rounded tablespoons a greased baking sheet, leav- about two inches between s to allow for spreading. Or through a pastry bag, using lain tube. Brush with beaten

ake in a preheated 375° oven 30 minutes. You can deter- e when they are cooked be- se no bubbles of fat will re- n on the surface and the sides he puff will feel rigid. Cool on ke rack before filling.

o make Éclairs: Place some of the dough in a pastry bag fitted with a tube. Force the dough through the tube onto a greased baking sheet into fingers about four inches long and two inches wide. Leave space for spreading. Brush with beaten egg. Bake as you would Cream Puffs (above).

To fill Cream Puffs: Fill a pastry bag, fitted with a small plain tube, with *crème pâtissiere*, page 118. Make a small opening in the bottom of each puff with a sharp paring knife. Insert the tube into the opening and fill the puff. Or split the puffs carefully, then fill, using a small spoon.

To fill Éclairs: Slit each one down the side. Force *crème pâtissiere* through a tube (see Cream Puffs) into the center. Or use a small spoon. Finish top with a Chocolate Glaze, page 118.

To make Profiteroles: With a pastry bag fitted with a small plain tube, shape the *pâte à choux* into small balls on a lightly greased baking sheet, leaving space for spreading. Brush the tops with one egg yolk beaten with one tablespoon of water, milk, or cream. Bake in a preheated 450° oven for 10 minutes or until they are puffed to twice their size. Reduce oven temperature to 300° and continue baking another 15 to 20 minutes or until they are dry and well browned. Cool on a cake rack. Make a small hole in the bottom of each. Using a pastry tube with a plain round tube, fill the profiteroles with sweetened whipped cream flavored with vanilla. To serve, arrange the profiteroles on a serving platter and serve with hot Chocolate Sauce, below. Serve about three to a person.

Chocolate Sauce: Combine 1 package semisweet chocolate pieces with six tablespoons cold coffee. Stir over a moderate heat until smooth. Stir in one tablespoon dark rum. Serve hot.

Paris-Brest

Vegetable shortening
1 recipe *pâte à choux*, above
1 egg
¼ cup slivered almonds (about)
***Crème Pralinée*, page 118**

Grease a baking sheet and coat with flour. Using the top of an eight-inch cake pan as a guide, make a circle on the sheet with the point of a knife. Then make the *pâte à choux*.

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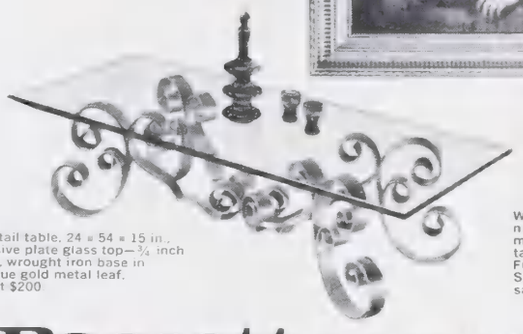
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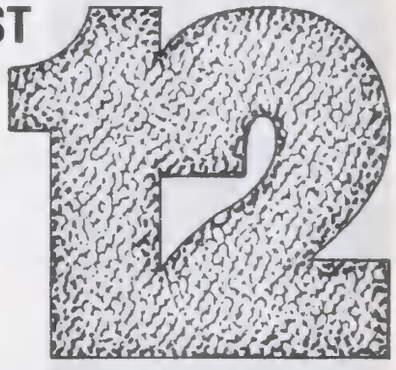


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Using a pastry bag fitted with a large, plain tube, pipe the paste on the marked circle, approximately two inches wide. Make a second ring right on top. Beat the egg yolk with a fork, then brush over the entire surface of the ring without allowing any to dribble on the sheet. Sprinkle generously with almonds.

Place in a preheated 375° oven and bake for 50 to 60 minutes or until the ring is well puffed and golden, no bubbles of fat remain on the surface, and the sides feel rigid. Cool on a cake rack.

The ring can be prepared to this point a day ahead, then finished shortly before serving.

When cold, carefully split the ring in half, crosswise. Put the two halves together with the *crème pralinée* between. Sift confectioners sugar all over the top.

Crème Pralinée

1 recipe crème pâtissiere, below*
1 cup heavy cream, whipped
½ cup praline powder **

While the *crème pâtissiere* is cooling, mix in the praline powder with a whisk. When mixture is cold fold in whipped cream.

**If the *crème pralinée* is not to be served soon, and must stand, sprinkle ½ envelope unflavored gelatin over the *crème pâtissiere* at the point where you put the mixture on the stove to boil.

***To make praline powder*: Place one cup sugar in a heavy saucepan over a low heat. When melted, turn up the heat and cook until the syrup reaches the soft-ball stage (240° on the thermometer). Add one cup blanched almonds or ½ cup almonds and ½ cup filberts. Continue to cook until the syrup caramelizes. Pour into a lightly buttered pan. When cold and hard, break into relatively small pieces and pulverize in the electric blender. The powder can be used for many things (mixed with whipped cream to serve over a dessert, over ice cream, etc.), so it's nice to have on hand. Store in a covered jar.

Pâte Feuillitée, Pâte Brisée, Pâte Sucrée, and Pâte à Choux made in the traditional manner

For those cooks not equipped with the electric mixer, we recommend the following books in which recipes for these four pastries are given, more or less traditionally. We say "more or less" because the individual authors have allowed themselves some minor variations. The cookbooks are: *The French Chef Cookbook*, by Julia Child (Alfred A. Knopf); *Joy of Cooking*, by Irma Rombauer and Marion Becker (Bobbs-Merrill); *The Fannie Farmer Cookbook* (Little, Brown); *The Art of Fine Baking* by Paula Peck (Simon & Schuster); *Delectable Desserts* by Ann Seranne (Little, Brown); *A World of Baking* by Dolores Casella (David White).

Equipment important in the making of pastries

In addition to the standard equipment every kitchen has, such as mixing bowls, beaters, whips, flour sifter, measuring cups, and spoons, knives (paring up to the large French chef's knife), cake racks, rubber, metal and wooden spatulas, wax paper, foil, Saran, there are certain pieces that are absolutely essential in making pastry successfully. All are readily available.

Pastry cloth with sleeve for rolling pin. Any kind of pastry or cookie dough can be rolled extremely thin if you have one of these cloths and the sleeve.

Heavy, large baking sheets (you must take the size of your oven into consideration here). You should have at least two: at least 14 by 16 inches.

Pastry bag and a variety of tubes for filling cream puffs, etc., and finishing certain pastries.

Pastry brushes. Good quality, hair brushes.

Tart pans in varying sizes.

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Pastry wheels are desirable, but a sharp paring knife will do.

Heavy, enameled saucepans, especially important in making *pâte à choux.*

Crème Pâtissiere

2 cups hot milk
4 egg yolks
¾ cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
¼ cup flour

Bring the milk to a boil over low heat. Set aside.

Combine the egg yolks, sugar, and vanilla in a large bowl and beat with a rotary or electric beater until the mixture makes "ribbons" and turns pale yellow, three to four minutes. Add the flour and beat until smooth. Add the hot milk gradually, whipping constantly with a wire whisk. Pour into a heavy saucepan and cook, whipping constantly, until thick. Cool. Seal with Saran to prevent a skin forming and refrigerate. Makes about 3 cup

Note: Crème pâtissiere is a b sic cream the French use as filling for éclairs, cream puf cakes, or as a base for swe soufflés.

Apricot Glaze

1 12-ounce jar apricot jam
¼ cup sugar
¼ cup water
2 tablespoons kirsch (optiona

Combine all ingredients, *exce the kirsch*, in a saucepan a cook over a moderate heat, st ring gently with a wooden spatu (never use a whip or the mixtu will cloud) for about ten minute Strain through a fine sieve wh still very hot. Do not mash t fruit or, again, the glaze w cloud.

Cool slowly, giving it an o casional stir to prevent a sk forming on top. When cold—n before, because all the alcoh will evaporate and there wo be any taste—stir in the kirsc Pour into a clean jar, cover, a refrigerate. Will keep indefinit ly. Apricot glaze is generally us with apples, pears, apricot bananas, pineapple, orange. short, the fruits that "look wel with the golden glaze.

Currant Glaze

1 10-ounce jar currant jelly
¼ cup sugar
¼ cup water
2 tablespoons *framboise* (optional)

Combine all ingredients, *exce the framboise*, in a saucepan a cook over a moderate heat, stirrin gently with a wooden spatula f about ten minutes. When col stir in the *framboise*. Pour into clean jar, cover, and refrigerat Will keep indefinitely.

Currant glaze is generally use with strawberries and raspberri or other red fruit.

Chocolate Glaze

Melt 2 squares (1-ounce size each of unsweetened and sem sweet chocolate over hot, not boi ing, water. Stir in 2 teaspoon liquid honey and 4 tablespoon softened butter. Beat until butte melts and glaze takes on a littl body.

Note: *See page 42 for informatio on the types of flour used to mak* pâte feuilletée, *and general in formation on rolling, freezing, an storing pastry.* ■

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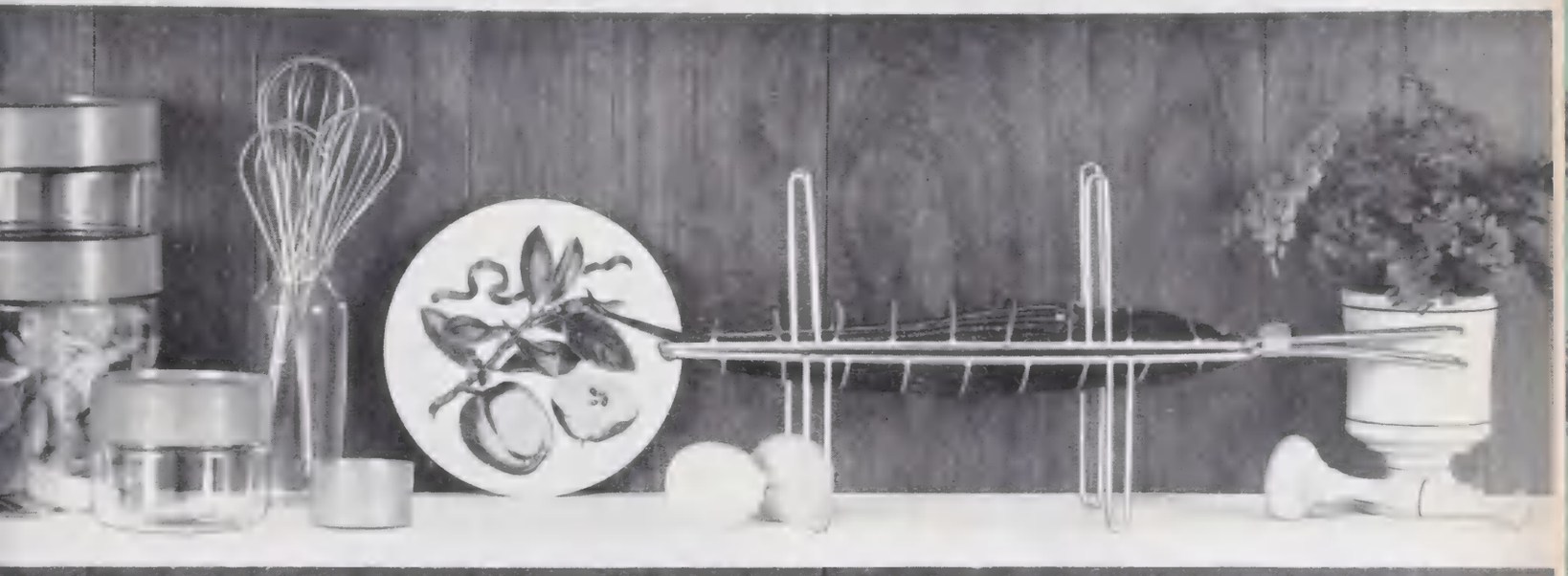
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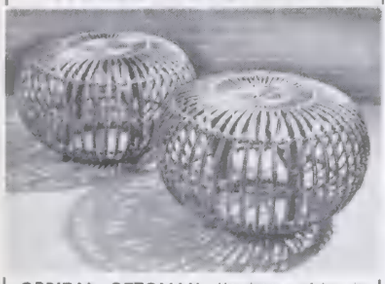




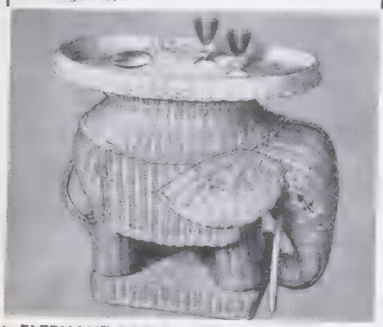
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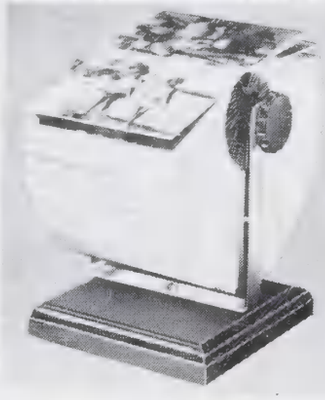
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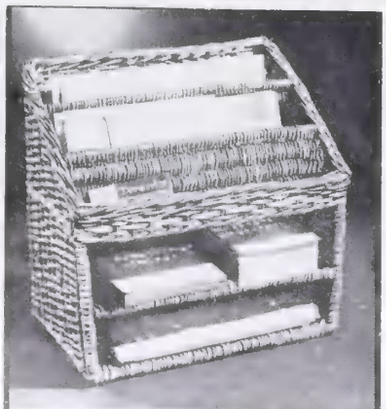
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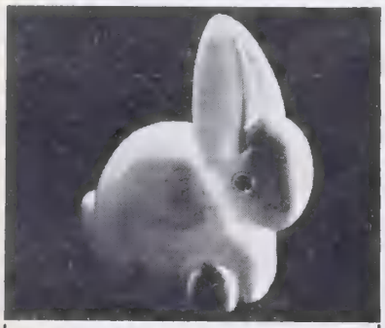
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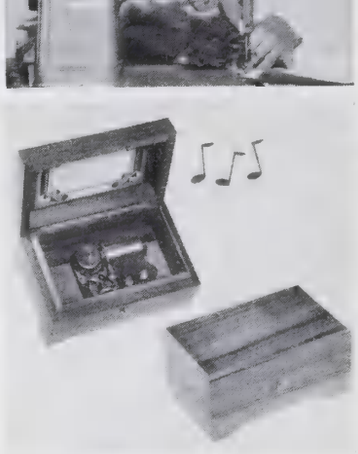
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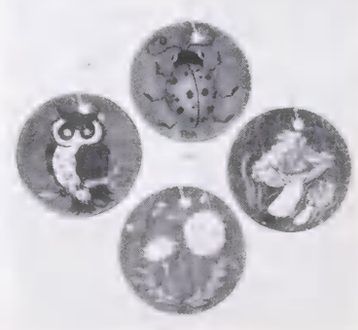








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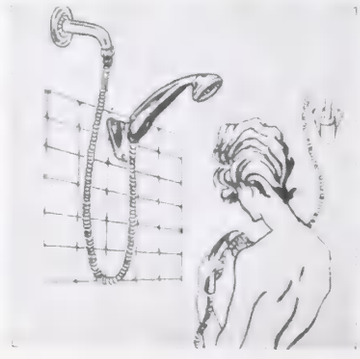
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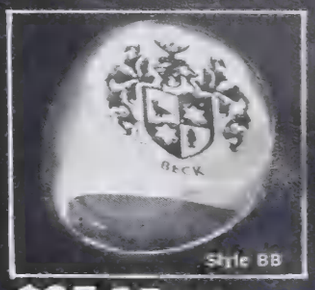


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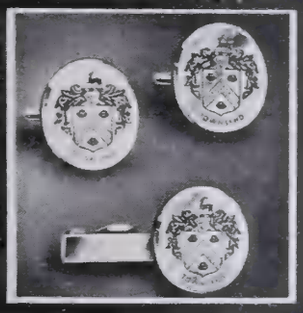
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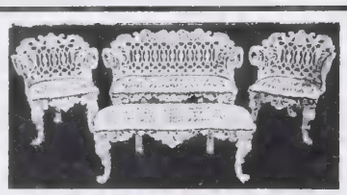
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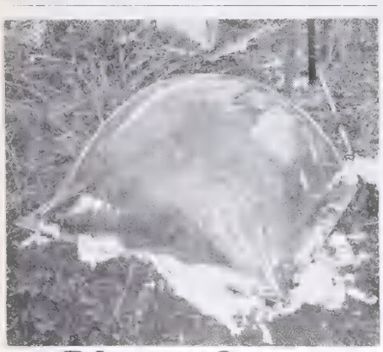
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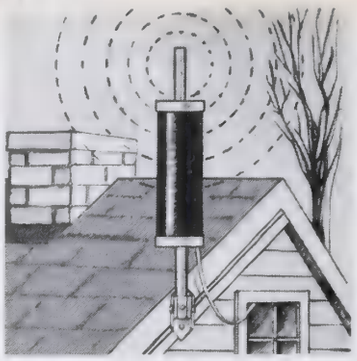
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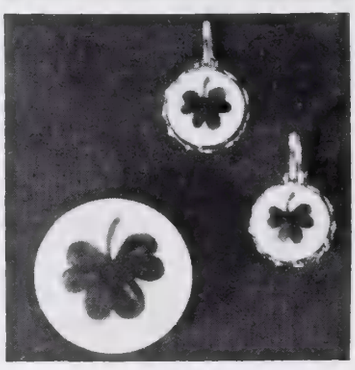
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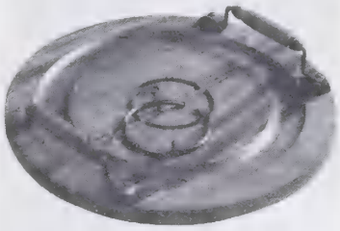
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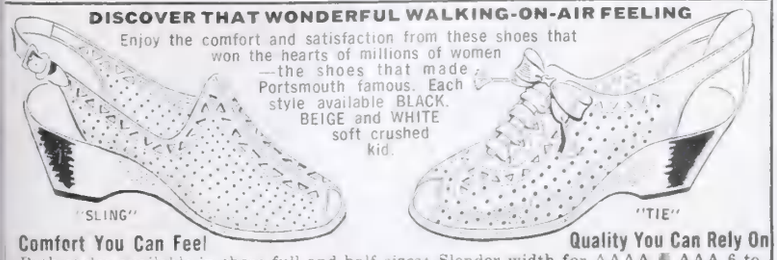


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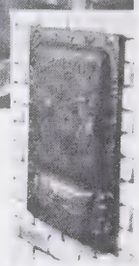
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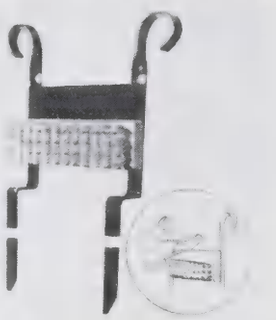
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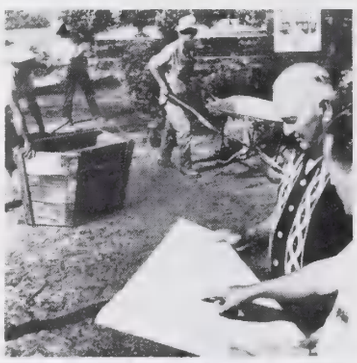
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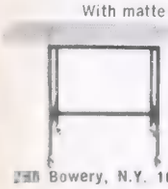
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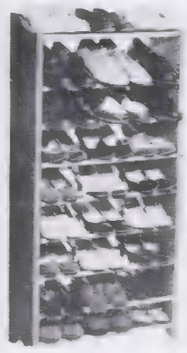
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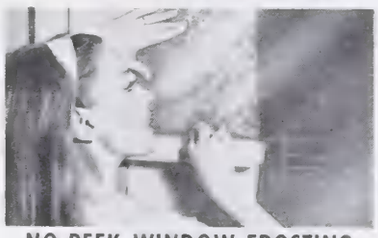
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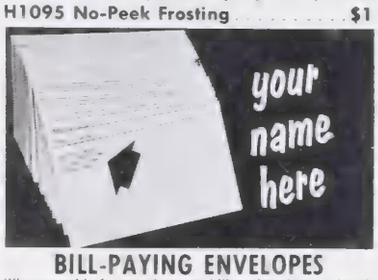
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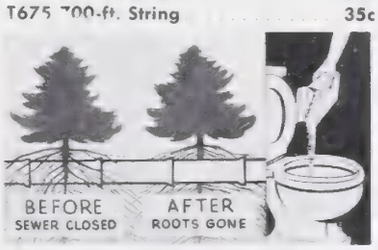
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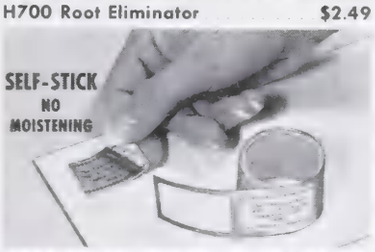
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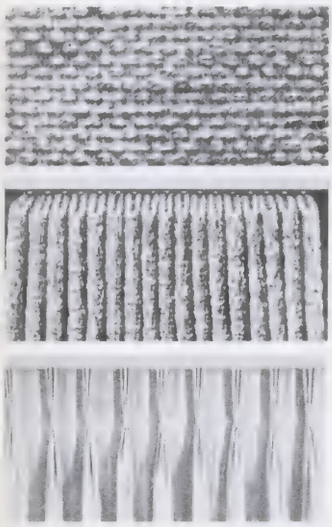
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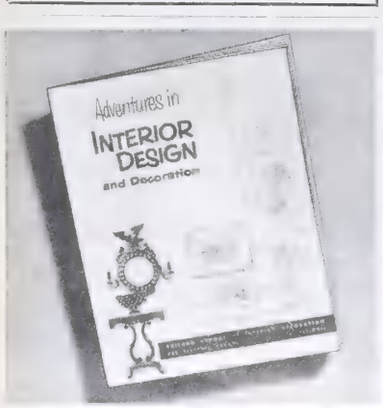
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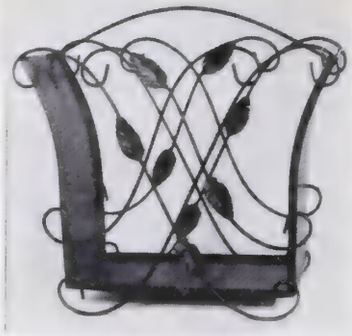


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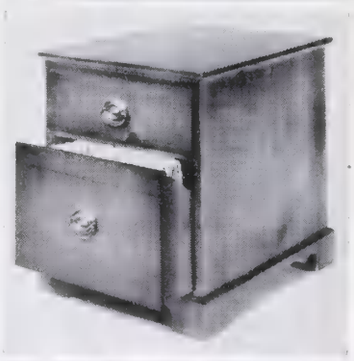
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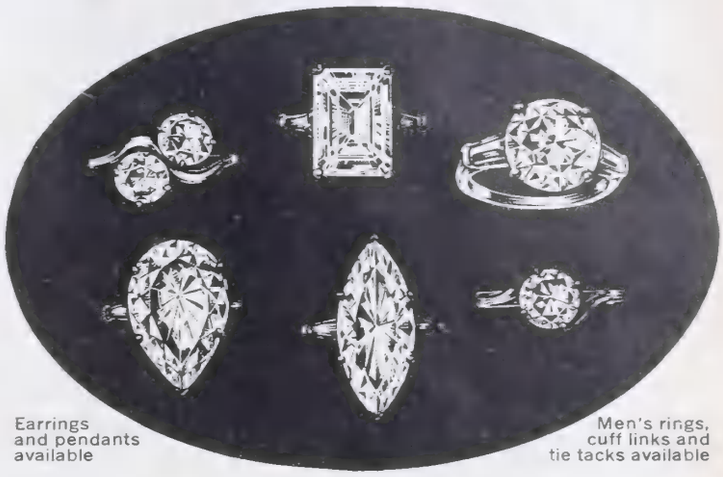
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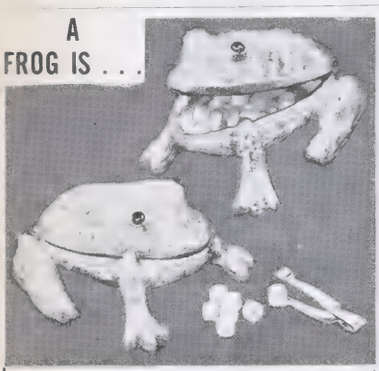
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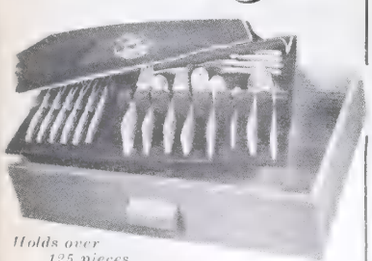
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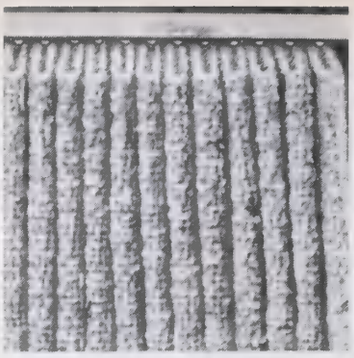
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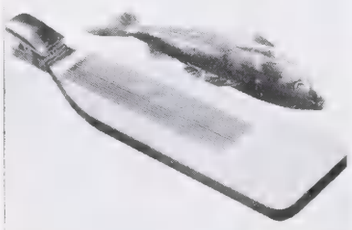
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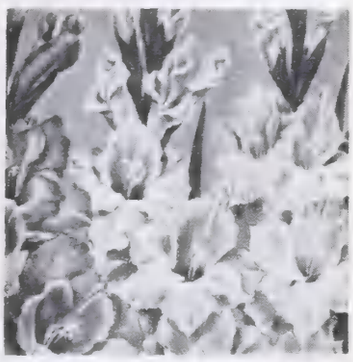
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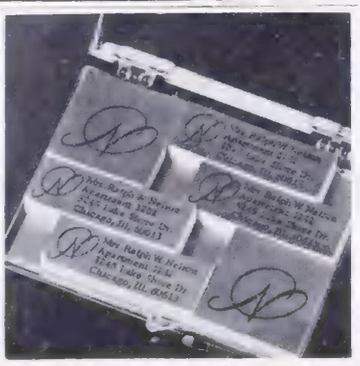
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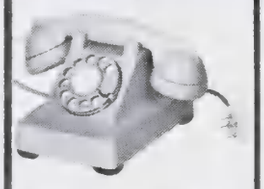
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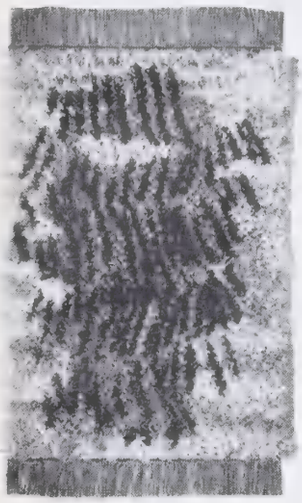
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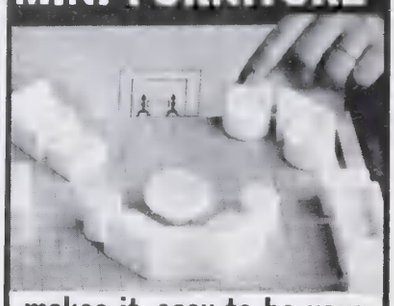
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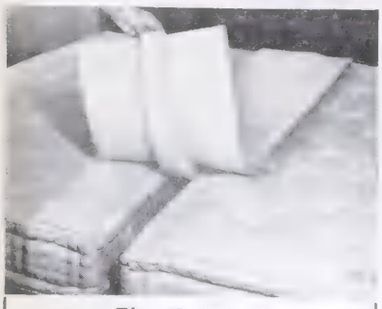
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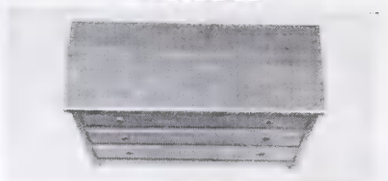
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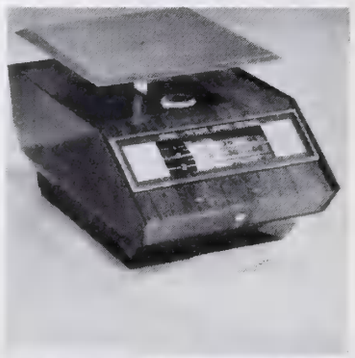
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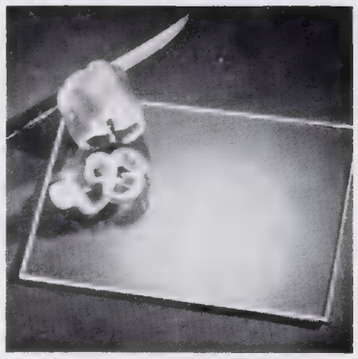




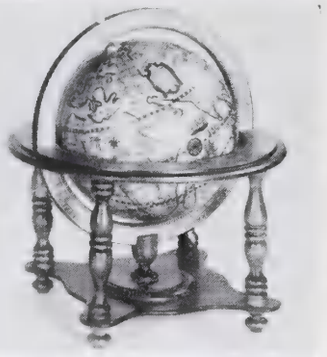
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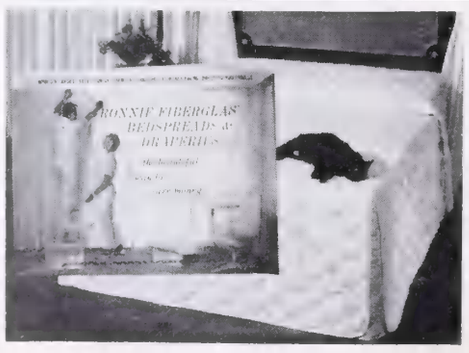
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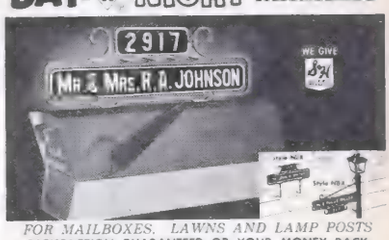
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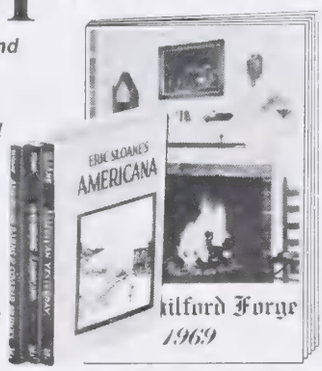
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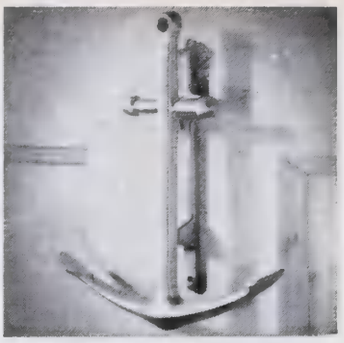
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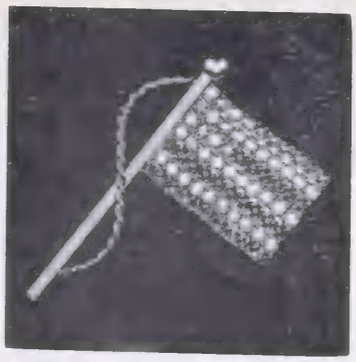
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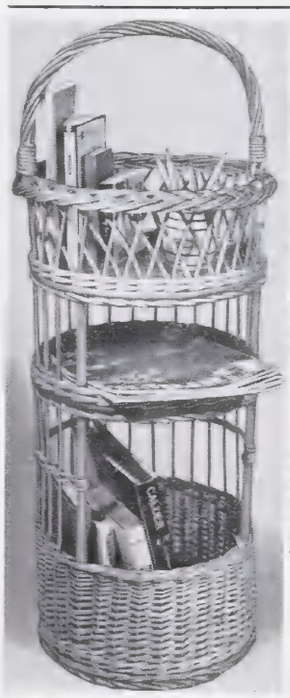
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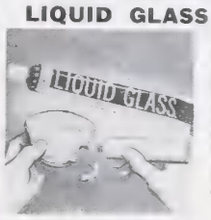
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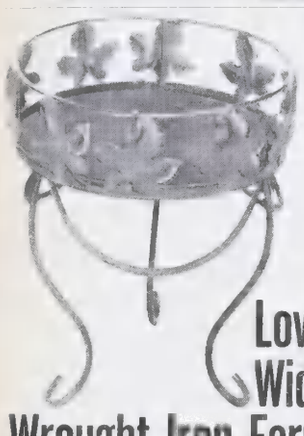
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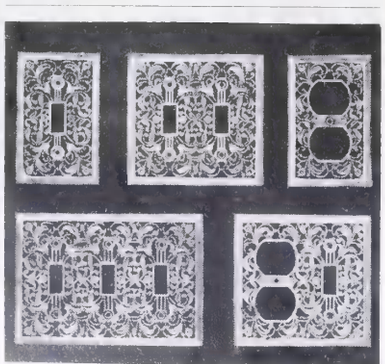
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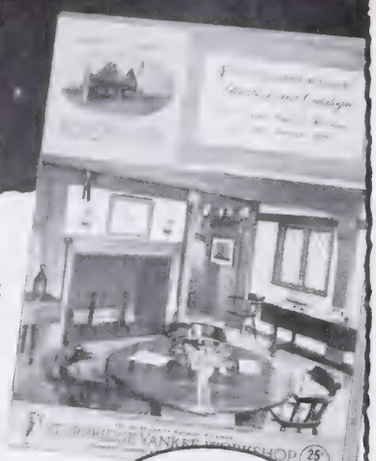
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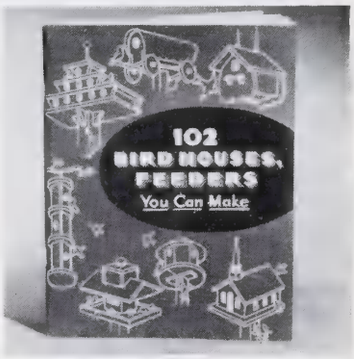
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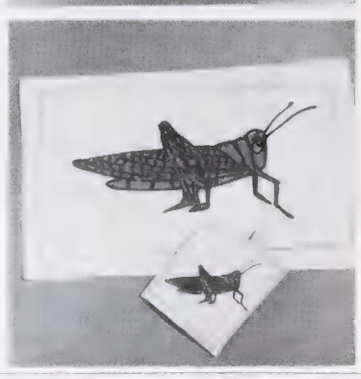
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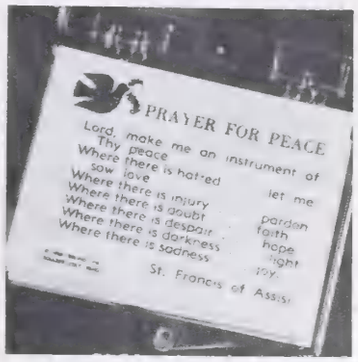
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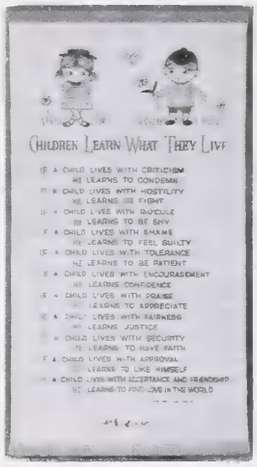
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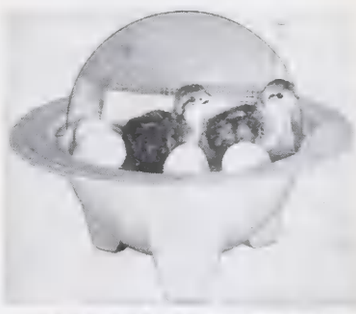
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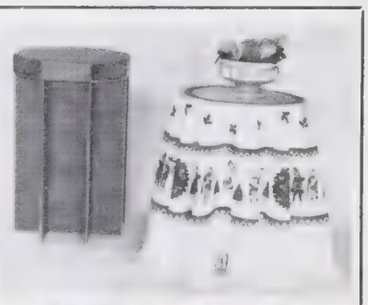
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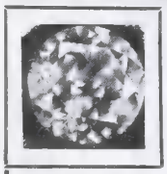


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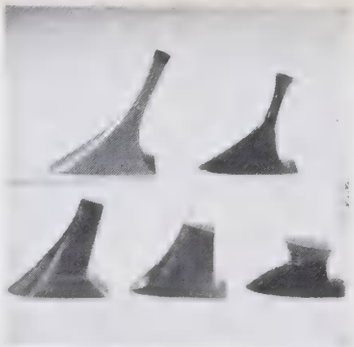


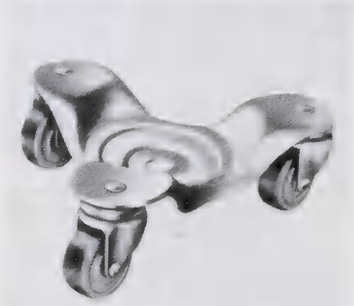
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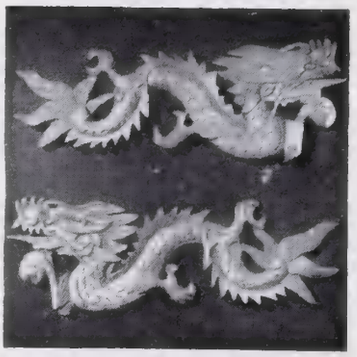
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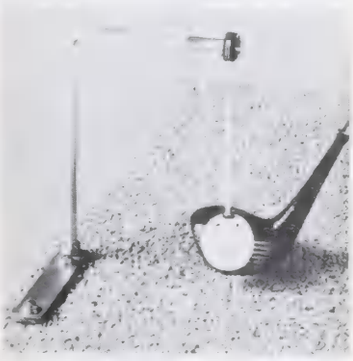
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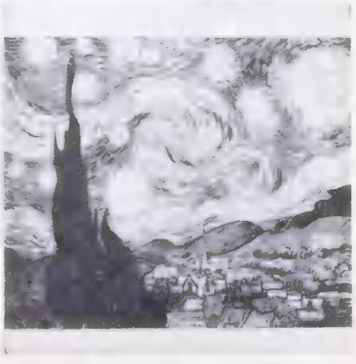
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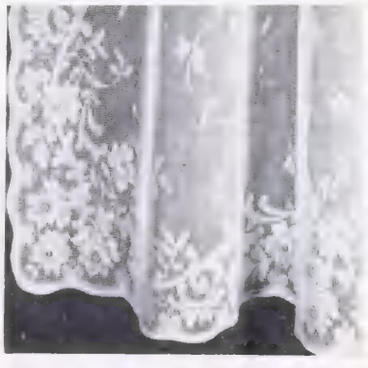


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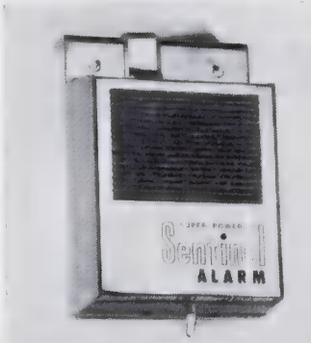
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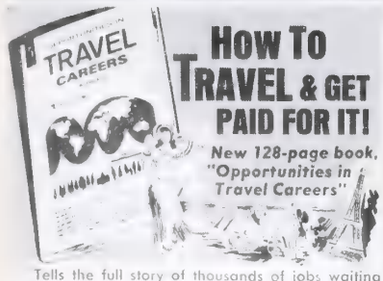


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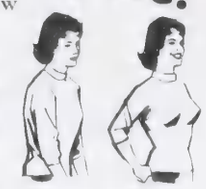
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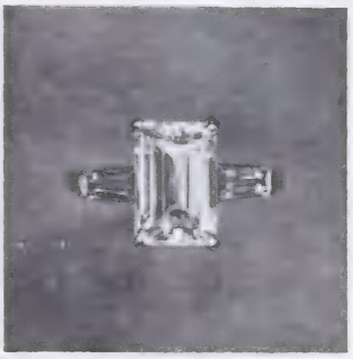


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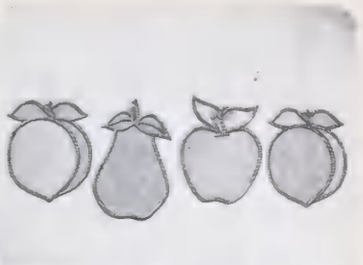


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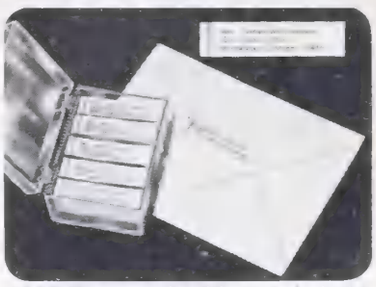
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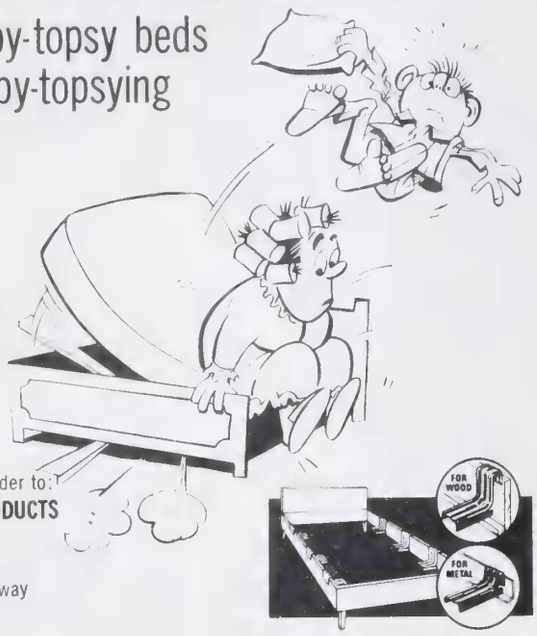
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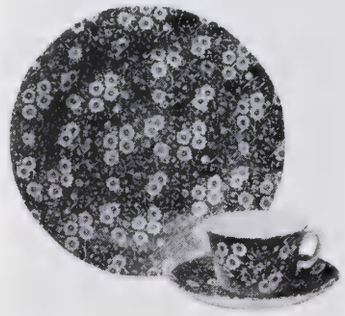


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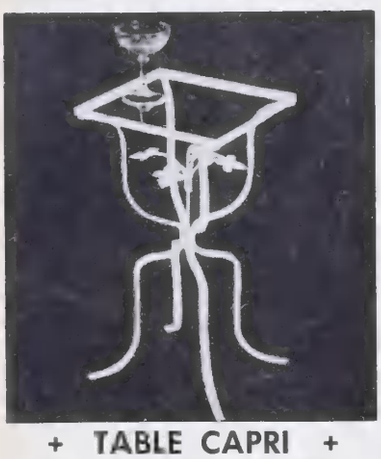
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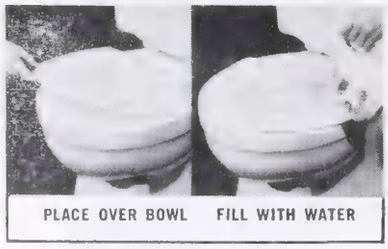
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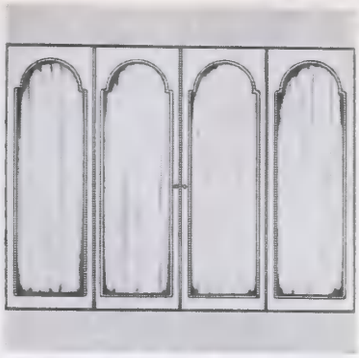
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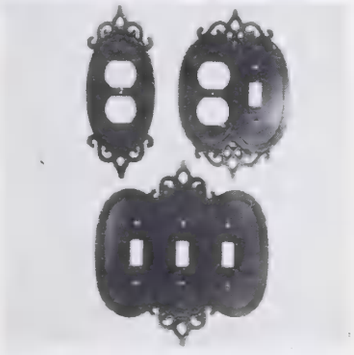
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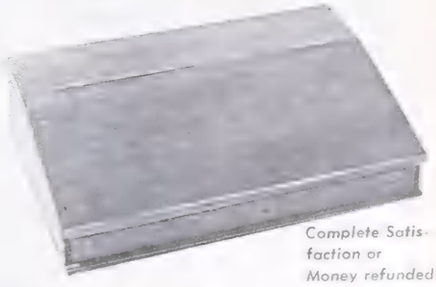


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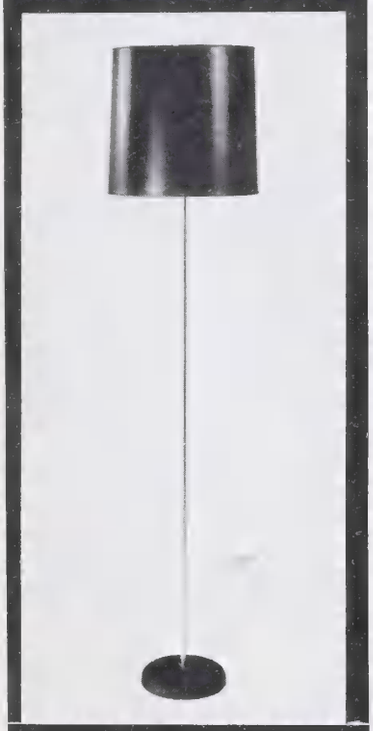
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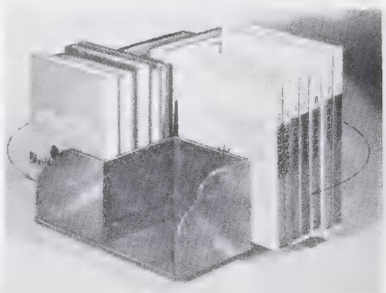
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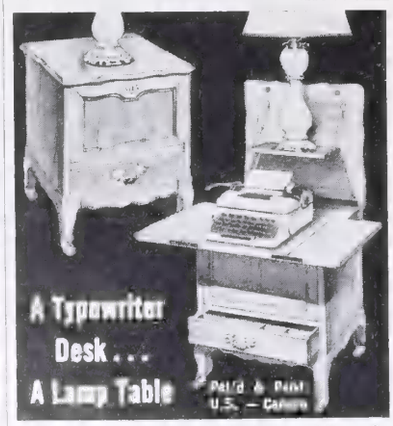
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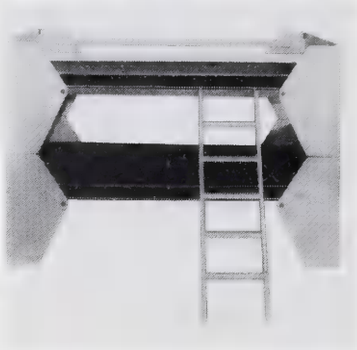
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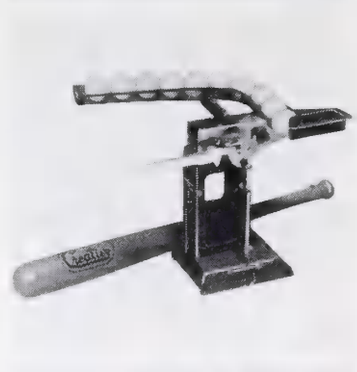
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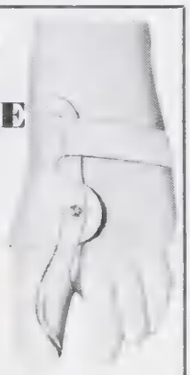
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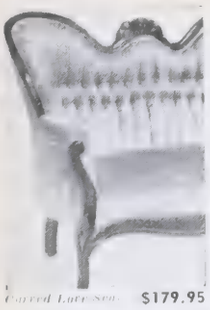
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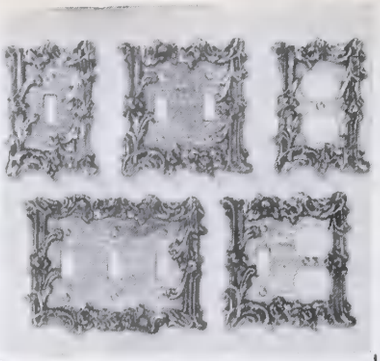
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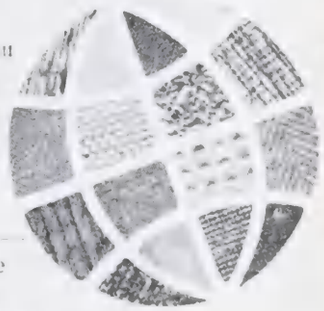


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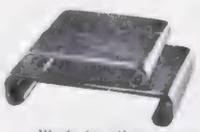
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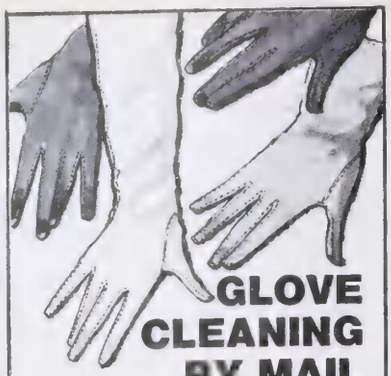
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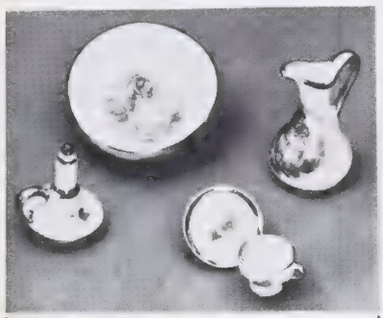


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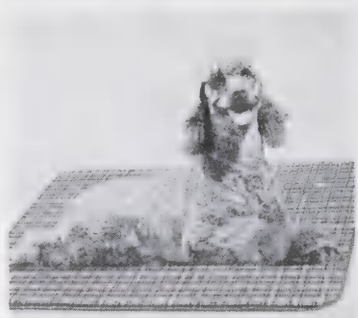
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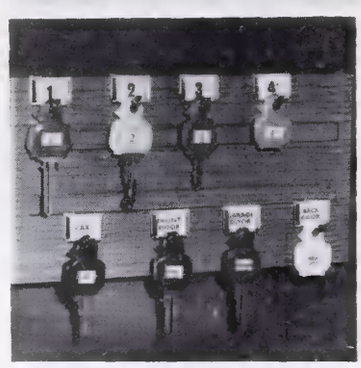
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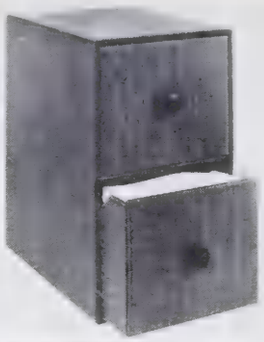


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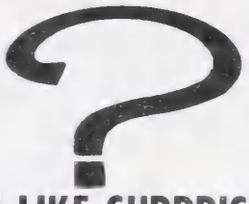
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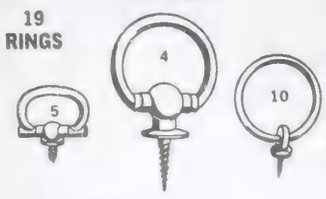


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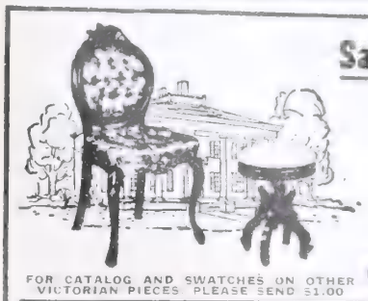


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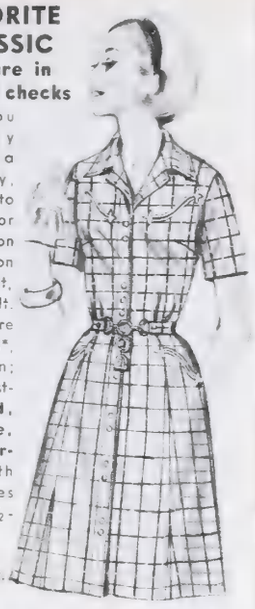
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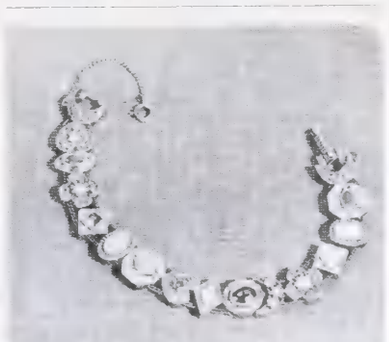
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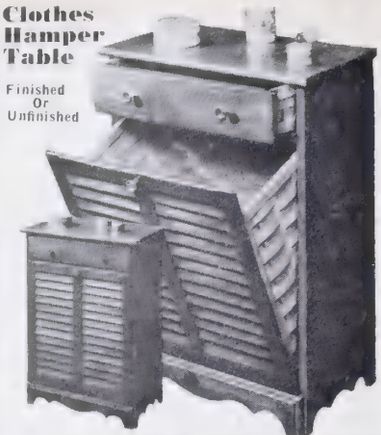
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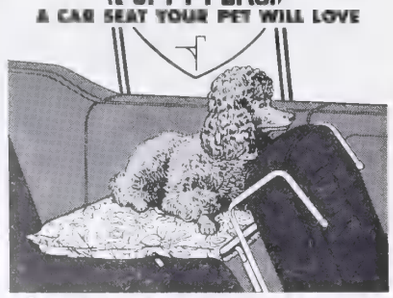
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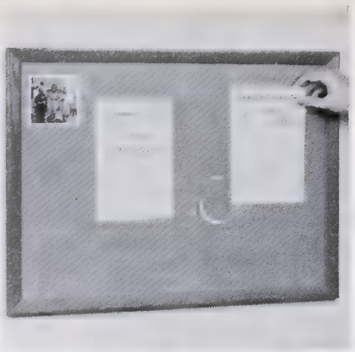
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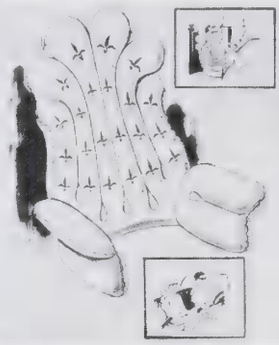


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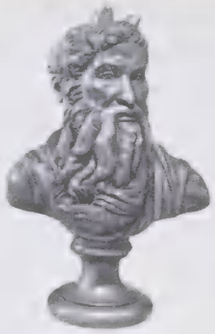


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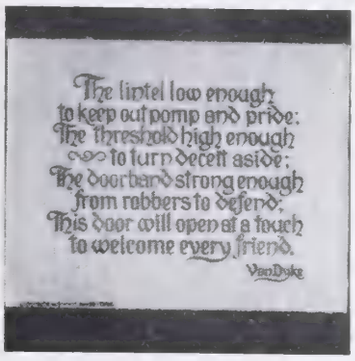


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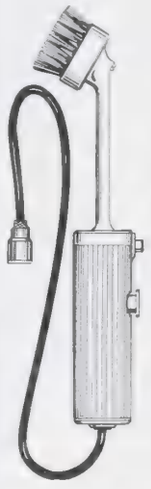
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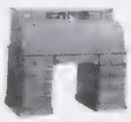
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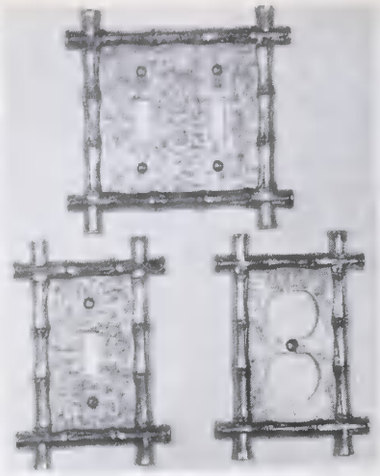
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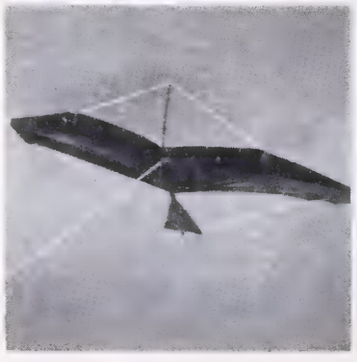












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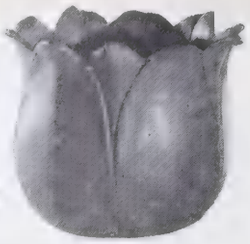
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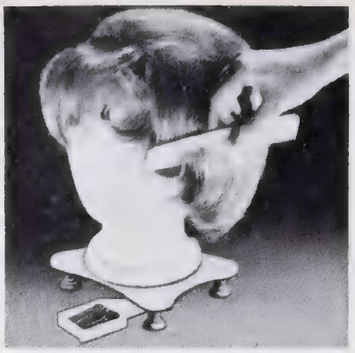
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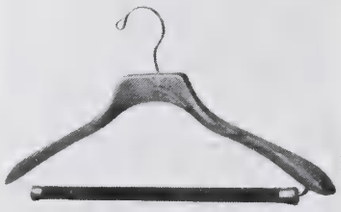
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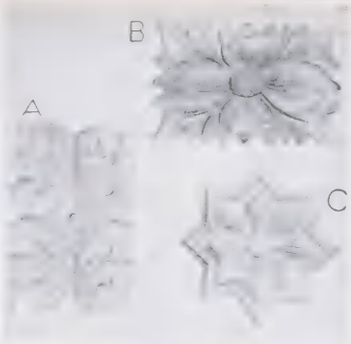


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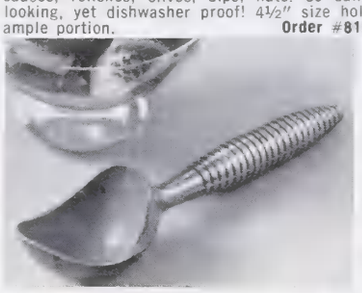




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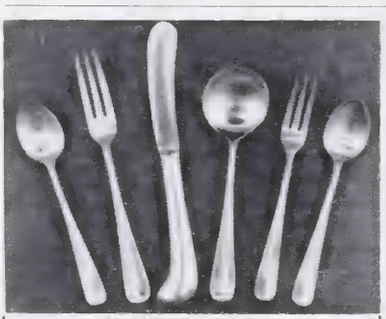


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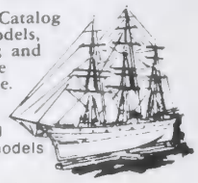
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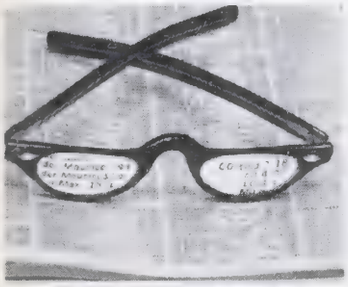
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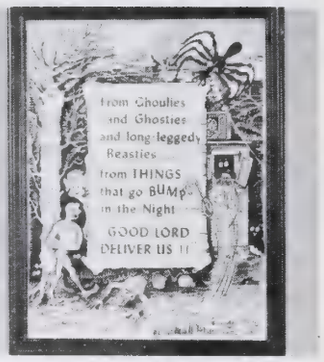




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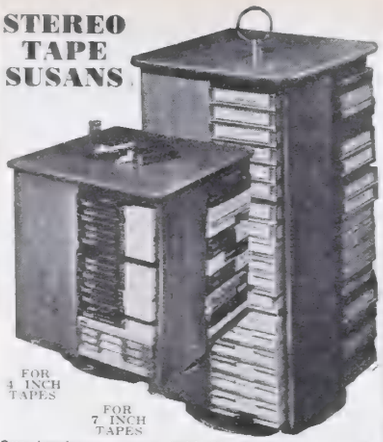
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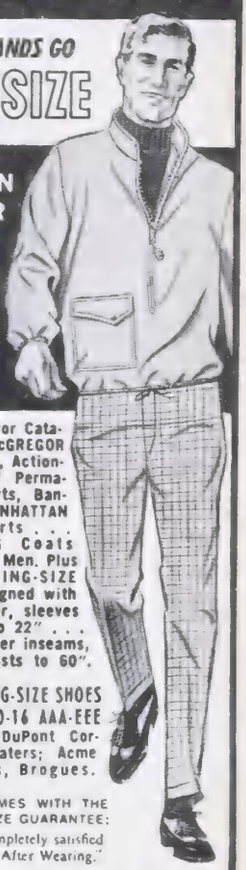
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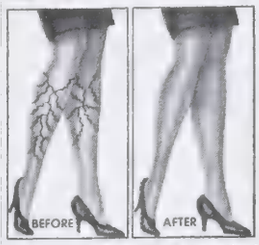
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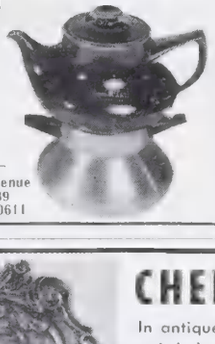
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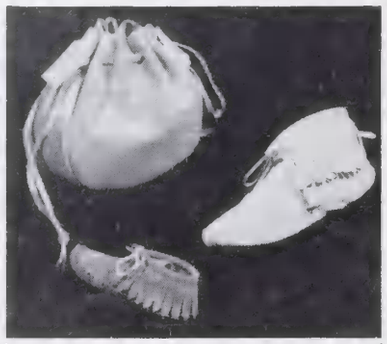
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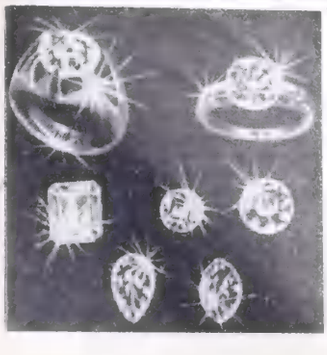
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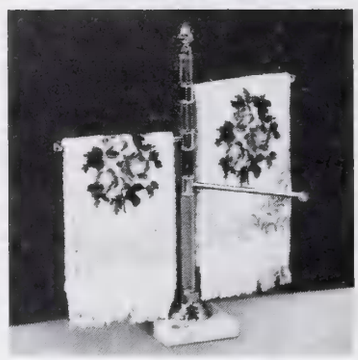
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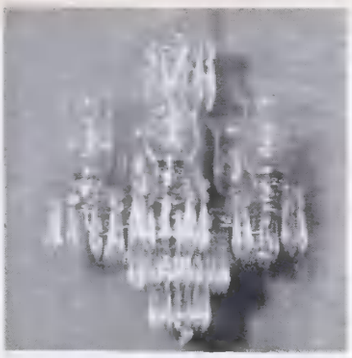


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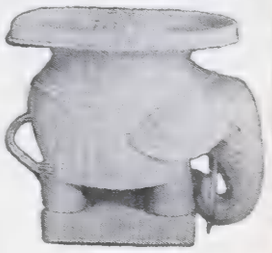
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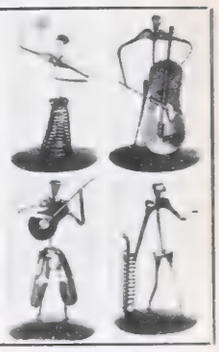
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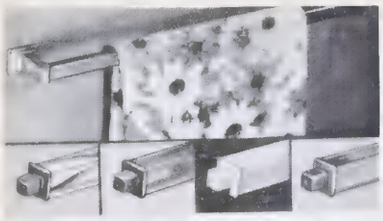
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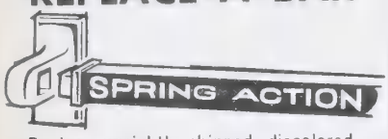
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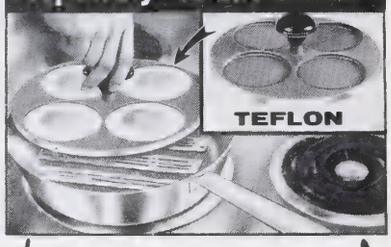
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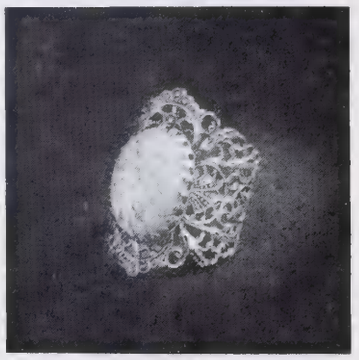
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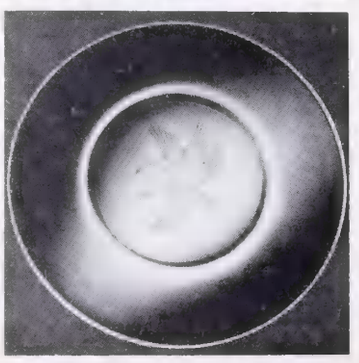
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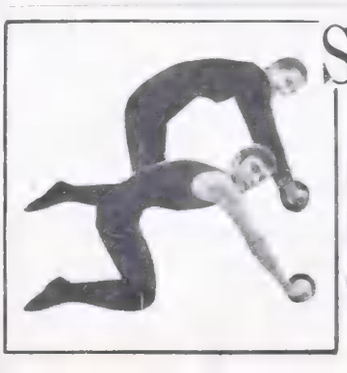
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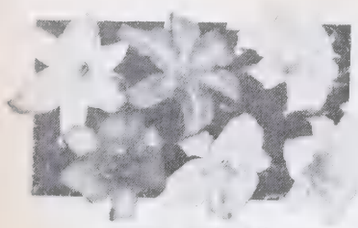
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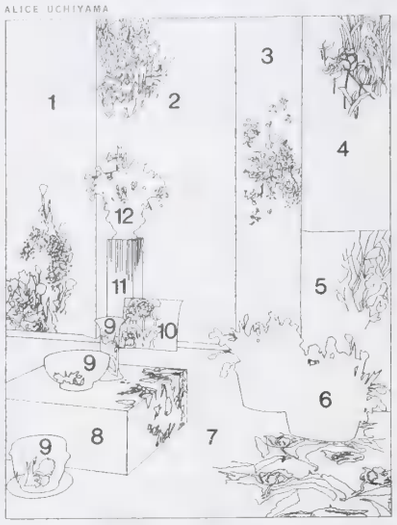
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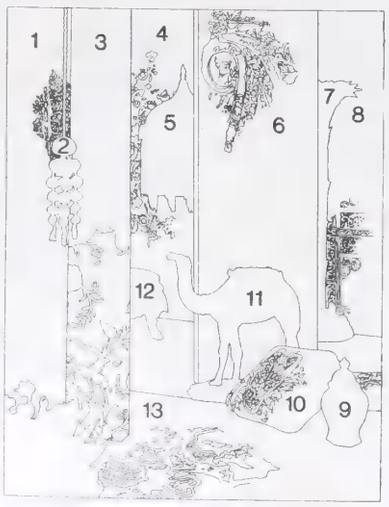
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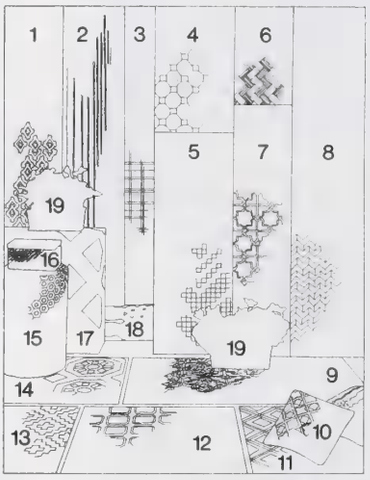


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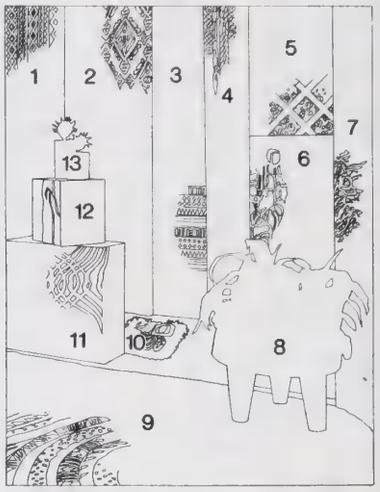


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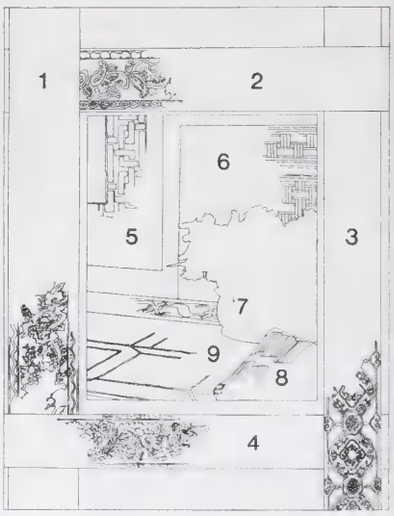


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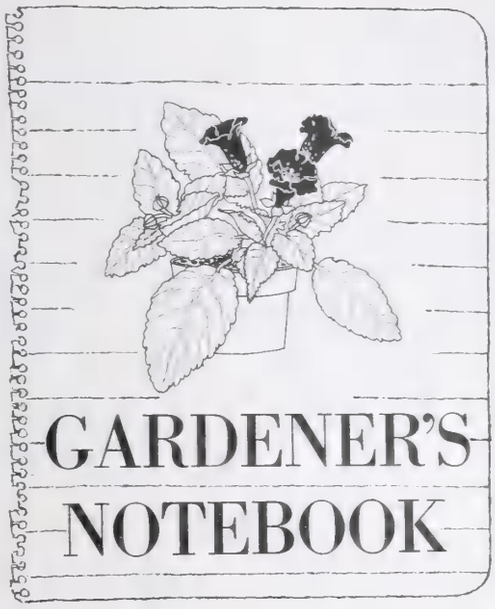
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By Elvin McDonald



GARDENER'S NOTEBOOK

Some lively comments on plants, gardens, and gardeners

Cinderella is the name of a new semiminiature gloxinia (drawing above) with white-edged red flowers. The mature plant is only one-third the size of a regular gloxinia. This little plant does well in a 4-inch pot, and blooms almost as constantly as an African violet. Place in a sunny window, or in a fluorescent-lighted garden, where the atmosphere is warm and moist.

Other mini-gloxinias, as they are being called by the originators at Fischer Greenhouses, Linwood, N.J., include Blue Cinderella, Prince Charming (double red-and-white), Tom Thumb (smallest of all, for a 2½-inch pot, with red-and-white blossoms), Anna (double red), Betty (double blue), Carol (red-and-white double), and Diane (blue-and-white double).

Two new strawberries

To satisfy—or develop—a Continental taste for strawberries, the people at White Flower Farm, Litchfield, Connecticut have been selecting outstanding strains collected originally from the woodlands of Europe.

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The one selected as being worthy of introduction has been named Catherine the Great. It makes a 14-inch, upright mound of foliage, has no runners, and is everbearing. The fruit is larger than Charles V, softer and juicier, but as to flavor—well, you should be your own judge when the subject is strawberries.

Either of these varieties will make a handsome edging for a perennial border, spaced 12 inches apart.

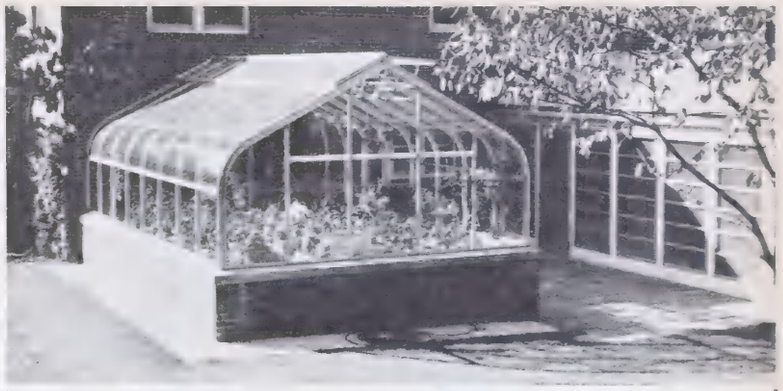
Hardy hydrangea in red

Preciosa, the first hardy hydrangea that bears bright, clear red flowers, has just been introduced by the Wayside Gardens Company of Mentor, Ohio.

Last September when I visited Wayside these hydrangeas were still in bloom, finishing a season that began in early July. This new hybrid forms a compact shrub, about three feet tall, with lush green foliage from spring until frost. Any dieback which may occur in severe winters is no problem since the blooms come on new wood.

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6. "Year Round Tropical Greenery" sounds mighty inviting this time of year. And Emerson Industries says a window-sill greenhouse is all it takes to have Fiddle-leaf Figs thriving in your east windows while Swiss Cheese Plants luxuriate in your north.

FOOD AND DRINK

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10. Tea—it can make you feel almost incandescent on a soggy day in March or like Lady Astor sipping from a fragile cup at four. Do you know all you should know about this versatile amber liquid? The Tea Council of the U.S.A. tells how to make it good steeping or iced, for one or a crowd, formal or homey. "What You Should Know About Tea."

11. A delight of the good life—fine wine—so often put to shame through sheer ignorance of potential has been rescued by Gold Seal. In their "Wine and Champagne Guide" they have provided taste descriptions, serving hints, a wine cookery chart, and gourmet recipes. One suggestion is to serve with each of the dishes the wine called for in the recipe.

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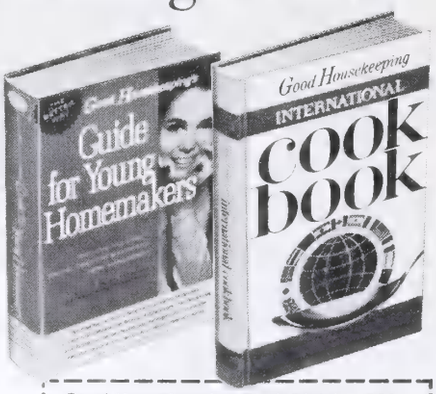


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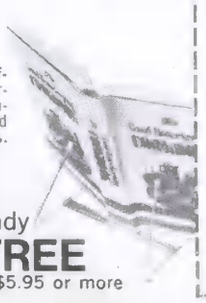
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The Hofburg becomes headquarters for much of Vienna's sightseeing because within this compound there is the Imperial Chapel where you may attend Mass sung by the Vienna Boys Choir, and a few steps away is the Spanish Riding Academy, the little palace of the Lippizaners, those fabulous white stallions that dance endearingly to Mozart and Haydn every Sunday morning. Also here is the Schatzkammer, the treasure house of Austrian imperial jewels.

Schönbrunn Palace, home of Maria Theresa, the great queen who still dominates the Austrian scene, is loaded with elaborate design and nostalgia. One remembers that little Marie Antoinette, daughter of the queen, must have walked these magnificently parqueted galleries and danced under the crystal chandeliers, and that the Prince of Rome, Napoleon's fragile son, died here.

Imposingly Baroque and not to be missed—the Imperial Library, a lavishly muraled gold and brown palace for the treasured books that fill its cases, another of Fischer's triumphs. Across the street, visit if you can the Pallavacini Palace, a once-private home, now a club, but occasionally open to visitors. Its candelabra and chandeliers are especially handsome. On state occasions the room is almost literally cascaded in flowers, arrangements that are particularly, lavishly Austrian.

The Schwarzenberg Palace in Vienna is another beauty and, best of all, one may actually stay here. One wing is occupied by the Schwarzenberg family, but a section of the palace is operated as a hotel. A reminder that Austria is rich in castles: Scattered throughout the nine provinces there are some 34 of them in which you may stay, much of the time in Baroque style.

One of the greatest of Baroque monuments, an easy drive from Vienna, is the monastery at Melk, fortuitously set high on a promontory on the banks of the Danube, which flows its unblue way through the placid countryside. Melk, far more than a monastery, was designed to house the emperor, and so has all the magnificence of a palace, including a lavish library muraled in a *trompe l'oeil* ceiling that appears open to the sky, which in turn is afloat with classical figures draped in the pure blue and rose colors that are typical of Baroque. The church, where there is a remarkably fine organ and concerts are given, is extravagantly, almost theatrically frescoed, and no wonder—the artist was a painter of theatre sets.

Salzburg, a delight on every count, was the birthplace of Mozart. The birthplace can be visited above a bakery shop, a going concern now, as it was in 1756. There is here the perennial ring of music in the air, concentrated during July and August in the great annual festival. The old town, charmingly medieval, breaks out into a grand cathedral square, bordered with the Baroque cathedral itself and the Residenz, the opulent palace of the archbishops of Salzburg.

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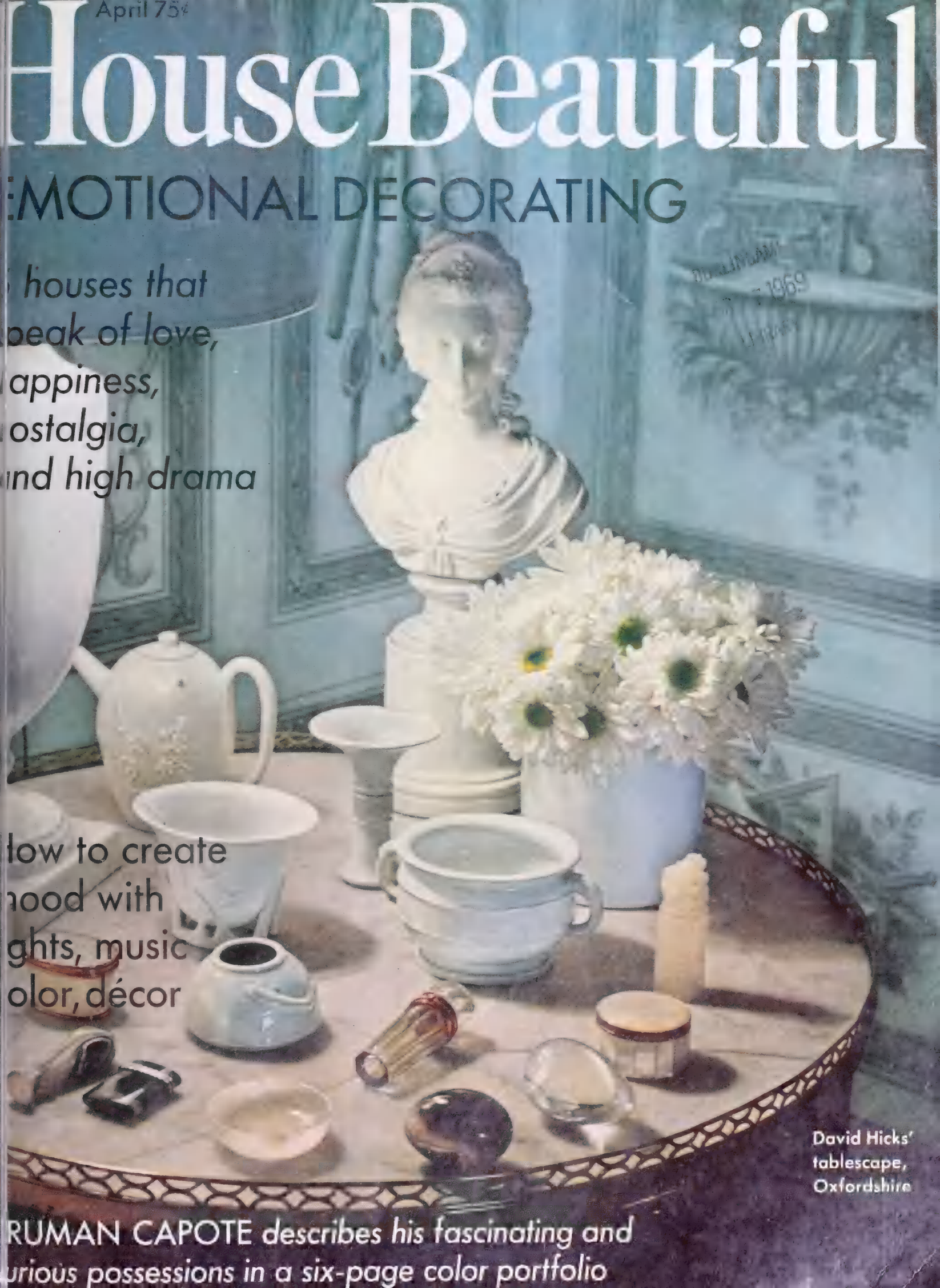
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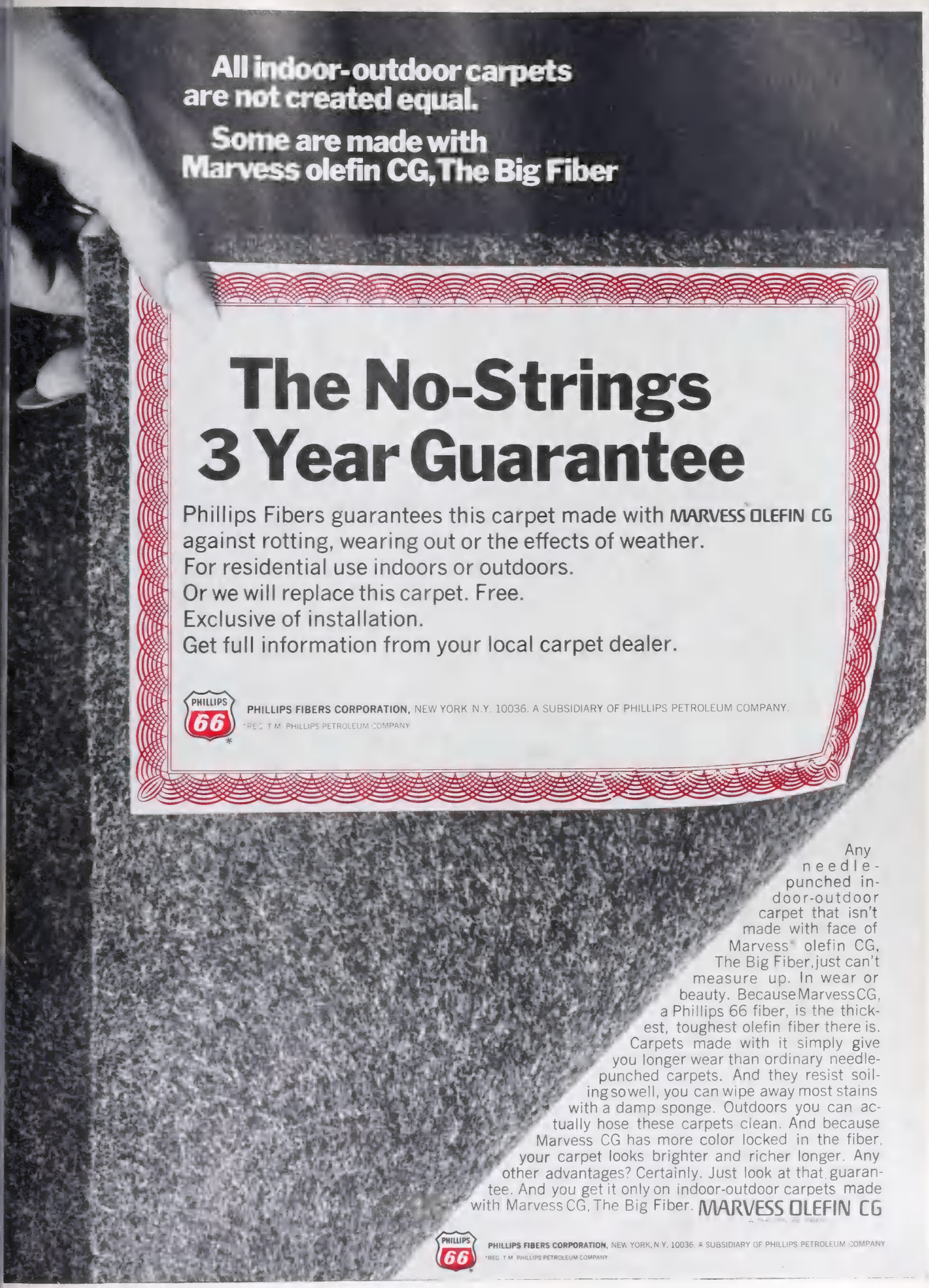
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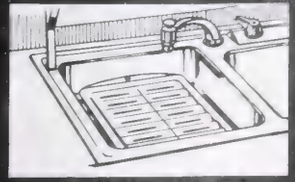


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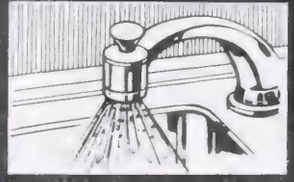
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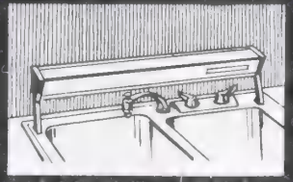
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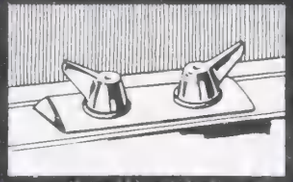
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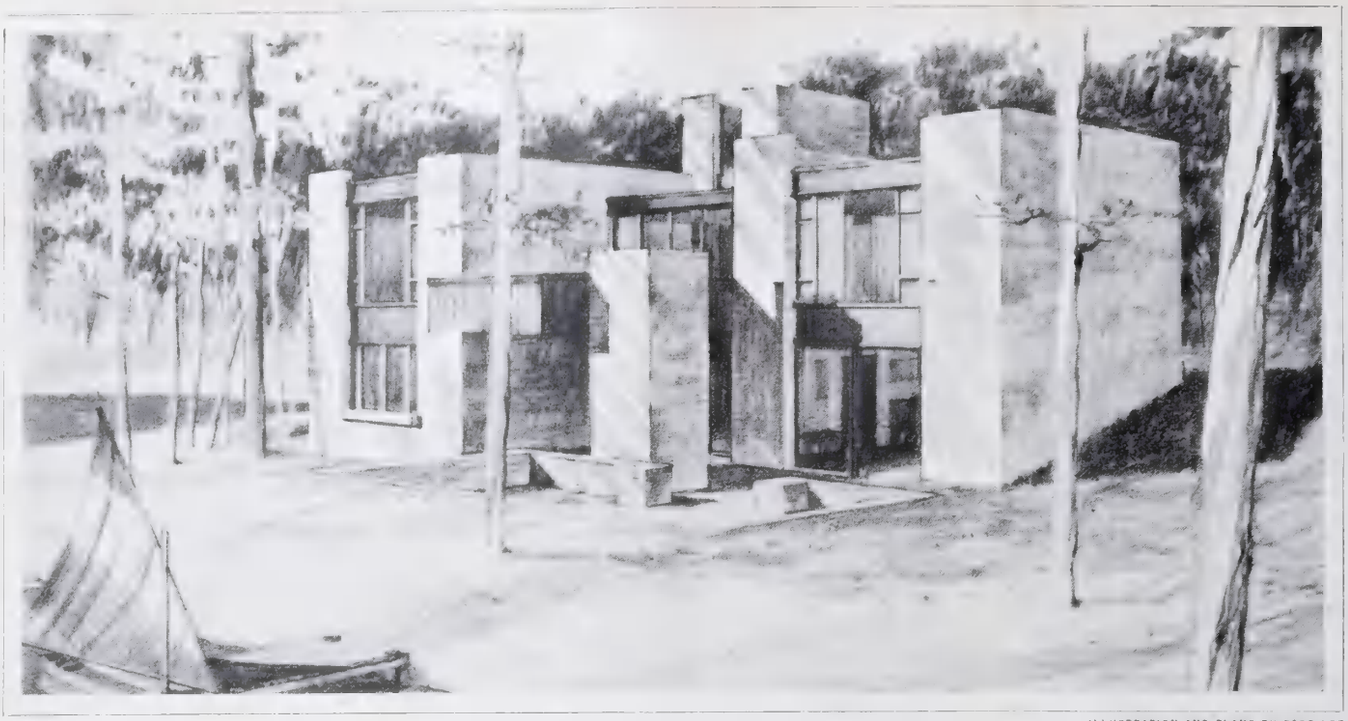
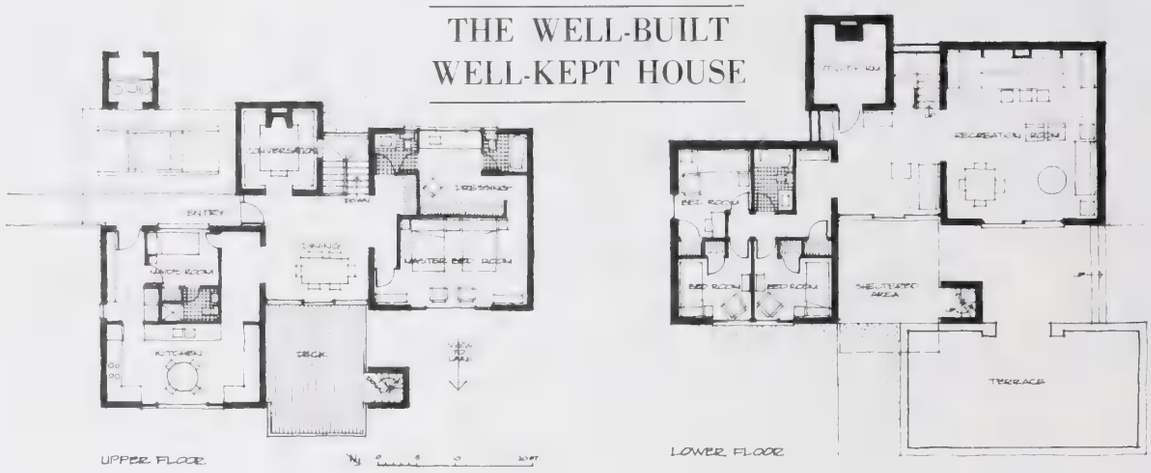


ILLUSTRATION AND PLANS BY TODD LEE

THE WELL-BUILT WELL-KEPT HOUSE



Usual concept of living room appears nowhere in the house. Instead: a small, almost totally enclosed conversation area with fireplace and high wood ceiling. From the dining table—a beautiful view of the lake through glass doors to deck.

An appealing arrangement of indoor and outdoor spaces that flow together, yet are all quite separate, and, by varying the shape and size of each space, anything but dull. Owners are without children, so small bedrooms serve them as guestrooms.

Adventure in concrete

By John H. Ingersoll

Inspiration for self-expression was a part of the atmosphere at Reston, Virginia from the moment of its inception some seven years ago—then considered the ultimate in new towns. Much of that inspiration carries on. An example: this fine house overlooking one of Reston's man-made lakes. Bold lines and a sensitive balance of masses are the outward signs of inner spaces divided intelligently. Conceived by Architects Kent Cooper & Associates of Washington, D.C., the house is fundamentally a grouping of masonry-surrounded living spaces, each with a clear function. Principal structural element is a soft gray, polished concrete block—rugged material well chosen for a house with so strong an appearance. All major window areas have been oriented to the lake, a northeasterly direction. This opens the house to the best view, and affords the owners a large measure of privacy from neighboring houses on either side and the road behind the house. A look at the plans above will show you some engaging variations on the ordinary. The house has about 2,800 square feet of living space, and it cost appoximately $55,000.

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By Ellen Harnett

Who moved that tree?

How to handle a husband when he discovers you've moved the tree—again

I don't know just why this should be, but constant changes in the landscape are unsettling to the average man. In fact, he views the whole subject of transplanting with marked irritation and gloom. Especially when he's the one who has to dig the holes.

He keeps protesting that a woman ought to make up her mind just where she wants a clump of azaleas *before* it gets planted. Which is a pretty silly thing to protest about, because I guess everybody knows that you do. You decide right in the beginning that you want azaleas at the foot of the lawn, a mass of rhododendrons under the oaks, and a drift of juniper by the house. That's what you decide, and you get the first two projects nicely into the ground.

But then, right in the middle of the juniper drift, you get the feeling that the whole thing would look better if it were completely regrouped. And honestly! The scowls. The black looks. The words. If you have never rearranged landscaping with a husband, you would hardly believe it.

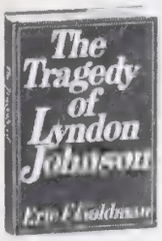
Sometimes you even have trouble with them over perfectly strange plants on their first bounce from the nursery. On how they go in, to begin with. People who are doing naturalized landscaping seem to have the most trouble here. This is because in naturalized landscaping it is not considered good form to plant in circles or squares or rows. We must plant in drifts.

How you get a drift that looks like a drift is the problem.

"Plant with the wind, the way God does," is the advice often

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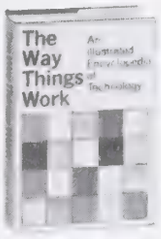
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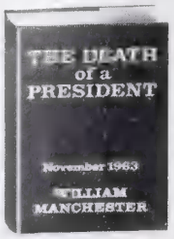
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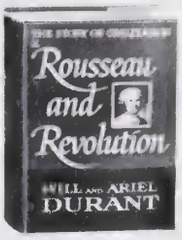
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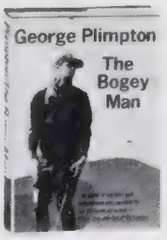
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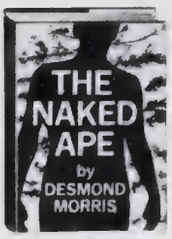
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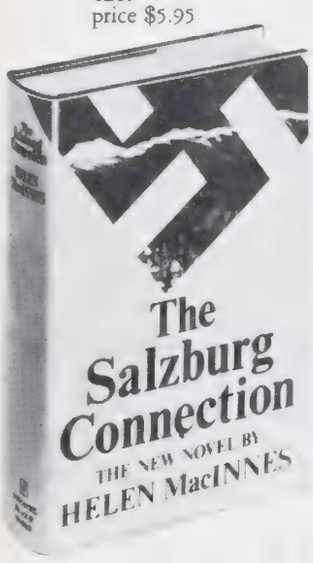


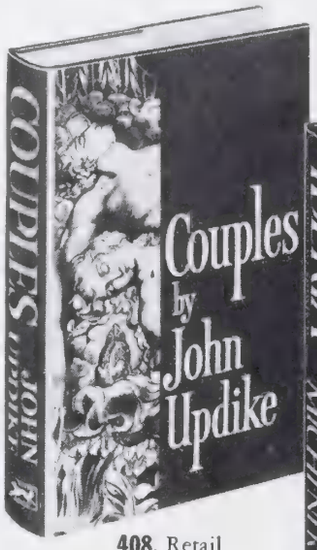
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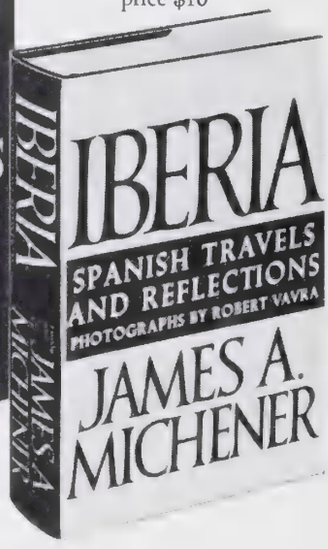
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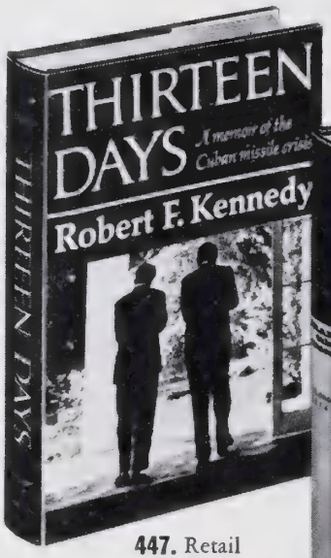




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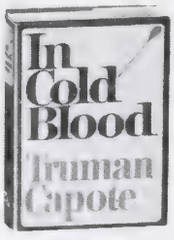




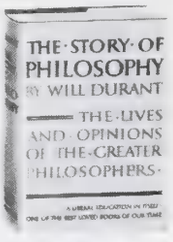
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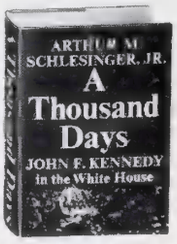
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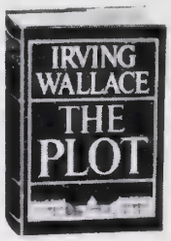
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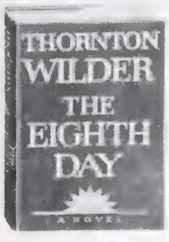
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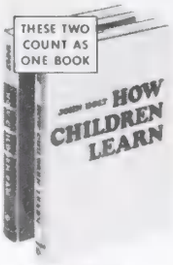
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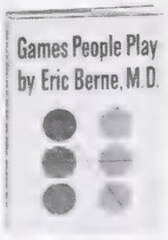
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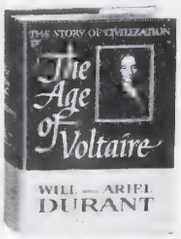
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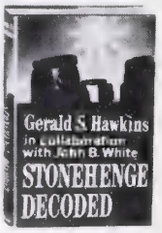
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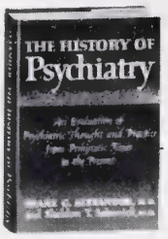
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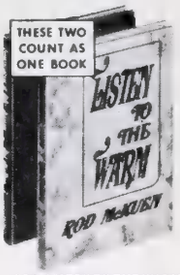
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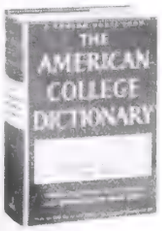
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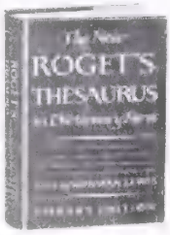
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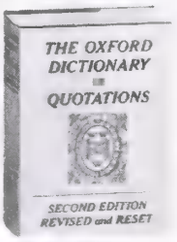
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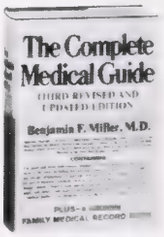
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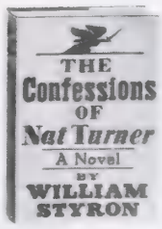
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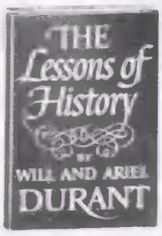
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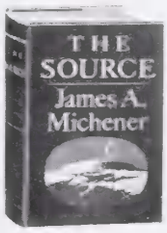
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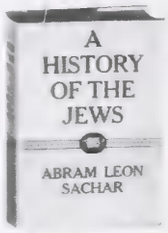
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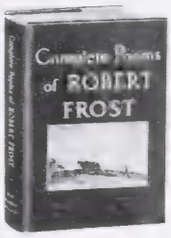
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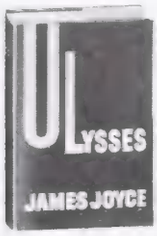
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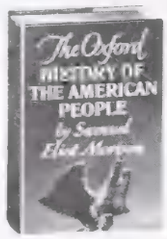
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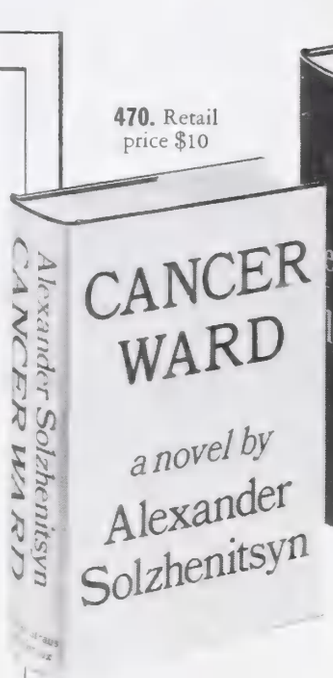
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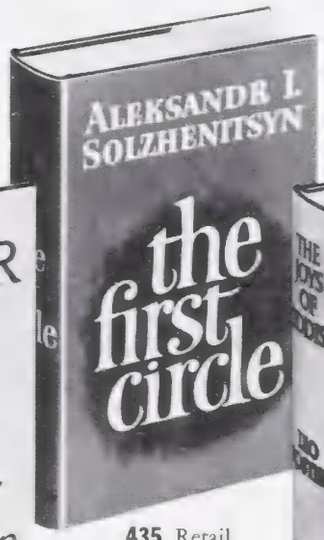
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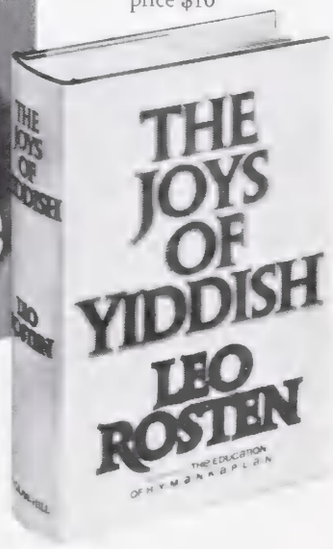
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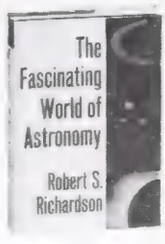
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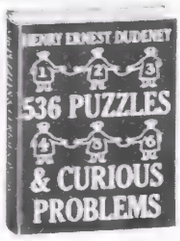
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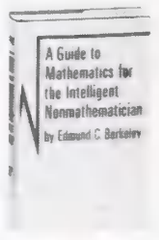
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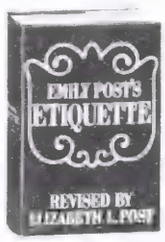
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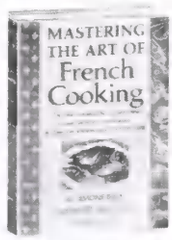
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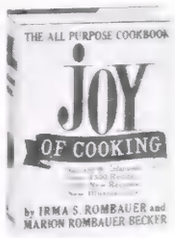
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given by experts. The only trouble with this advice is that God knows which way the wind is blowing, and you don't always make up your mind until your husband has dug 16 holes for five shrubs. And he can turn somewhat churlish when you point out that the drift doesn't look quite natural the way it is. What does he expect . . . a hole in one?

But men are quite hopeless. I'm afraid, when it comes to understanding this aspect of gardening. Still, a lot of them have this chivalrous, old-fashioned aversion to watching a lady dig holes. They don't care to watch our empty-with-a-teaspoon technique and will insist on doing it for us. Once.

On the second time around things are a little more difficult.

"Here, let me do that for you. What are you planting, anyway?"

"The viburnums."

"But they're planted. We planted them last week."

"I know, but they make the house look so lopsided."

"Lopsided?"

"Yes, the light, airy feeling of bamboo over there is so much better."

"What bamboo?"

"The bamboo from the entry, silly!"

"Then what's going to go in the entry?"

"Well, the rice-paper plant from the patio, of course. Why do you think I'm doing all this?"

Sometimes it ends in rather spirited discussion.

To avoid this, most experienced women gardeners do their transplanting on weekdays. It's one practice I always follow.

At first I was a little self-conscious about what the neighbors would think when they saw me scampering uphill and downhill hunting for a home for a displaced pine, moving the ivy from pillar to post, or standing there guiltily with a leftover lilac. But I soon discovered that my neighbors are far too busy to worry about *my* relocation program. They have their own.

This is not the kind of sport that a man understands. Often my husband doesn't even notice that an English yew has taken up lodging by the carport, replacing the tulip tree, which high-tailed it over to the edge of the lawn to evict a Japanese maple. And there really isn't much point in calling his attention to the improvement. Not if he doesn't notice.

But then again sometimes he does notice, and comes banging in, indignant right down to his briefcase.

"I thought they said at the nursery that the tree we planted by the carport last fall was supposed to get big leaves."

"They did say that," I murmur, keeping my face well hidden against some convenient child's hair.

"Then the one out there's a mistake. It's a spiky tree."

"How spiky?"

"Pretty spiky. It's short and has sharp needles and a mean look. I'm going to get my money back."

"No, dear," I soothe. "We have a tulip tree. It's right over by the fence."

"I thought that maple thing was by the fence." For a man who takes such wild swings at horticultural nomenclature, this one sometimes alarms me with his pinpoint precision.

"It was, but now it's where the azaleas used to be."

"Then where are the azaleas?"

Well, obviously, there's no future in a conversation like this. It could go on for hours and it only makes my husband dizzy.

So sometimes I jeopardize my soul by explaining right at the beginning that the tulip tree has that mean, short-spiky look because it's all crouched down ready to spring out with those big-lobed four-inch leaves next month. And then I introduce a new subject quickly. Like the bill for the new slipcovers.

I know it's wrong, but this way we have dinner so much earlier. ■



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Fragrance —the secret agent



Assigned to one sense only, fragrance possesses to the moving power of music, the intimacy of a caress, the nuances of taste, the speed of ligh Gathered here: confidences from nine experts.

To sense a fragrance takes only a second, but the memor is on tap forever, ready to evoke again a mood, a place, a perso

According to Gregory Thomas, president of Chanel, there ar "two concepts of fragrance." The first includes the great com pany of fragrances, usually complex, meant purely for pleasure for contact with the skin. The other, made up of simplicities of fresh flowers, aromatic leaves, substances that carry, alon with a spin-off of pleasure via the nose, a happy impressio of locale. Among his own favorites in the latter group: th smell of burning pine knots special to Switzerland; the Estre madura incense released by labdanum branches fueling bakers ovens; the breath of olive pits as they burn in Spanish braziers

Fragrance for the fireplace

For fireplaces in this country, red cedar and applewood to the list of good-smelling woods given by Nelson Coon, exper horticulturist. Other scent-givers he mentions for the fireplace hickory, sassafras, oak, eucalyptus, bayberry branches.

A warning word in this connection comes from a commercia supplier of firewood: "Even red cedar and applewood vary i the amount of aroma they give off when burning. Sometimes none, and we don't know why. If you want to be sure of get

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ting red cedar to give fragrance, put a piece of it on a radiator,

As uncomplicated as wood, such cool naturals as lavende and lemon verbena, traditionally tucked in among the shee and towels in linen closets. Of lavender, Horticulturist Coo writes in his latest book, *Fragrance and Fragrant Plant* "The peculiar quality of its fragrance seems to say 'Eng land.'" To some in the U.S.A., however, lavender seems th very breath of home.

Expectedly, Chanel's Mr. Thomas thinks of perfume, pe fumed soap, powder, bath oil, as exquisite assets, but he hold that only bedroom and bath should be fragrance-haunted Most of the house "should just smell fresh and clean."

Going further, Carl W. Gardiner, president of Elizabet Arden, says: "The fragrance in the home should be so fain that it barely stirs the air or the emotions. Maybe when closet door is opened, or a dresser drawer, there could emanat a surprising little locked-up breeze of the lightest fragrance.

Subtlety in room scents

From Estée Lauder, head of her own firm, a divergent view Not one for locking up fragrance, she uses a spray originate specifically for rooms rather than for personal applicatior Pervasive but never overpowering, a subtle substitute fo the scent hothouse flowers lack. Her guests are greeted by musi and fragrance, both essential, she believes, to projecting th most cordial welcome. She believes, too, in taking her ow welcome along on her travels. A random arc of spray, a flic of bath oil in warm water, and a hotel room's atmosphere turn into one she feels at home in.

Wherever, and alone or not, there are plus values that com with a delightful scent. Adam Lyn, president of Jacquelin Cochran, Inc., stresses among them esthetic satisfaction, a sens of freshness, a feeling of security. Having in mind, no doubt today's scented products intended for men's use, as well as th perfumes ladies wear, he says: "We need to smell good t ourselves." He adds: "The choice of fragrance is no differen from any other fashion choice. The romantic woman who ha delicacy about everything she does will choose the right per fume." And the decisive man, banker or modern Beau Brum mel, can presumably be trusted to make an appropriate choic among colognes and the like.

Variety adds sophistication

Not that anybody should be forever faithful to a single fra grance. Indeed, Robert Granitz, president of Charles of th Ritz, considers such fidelity unsophisticated. Holding that th chief importance of perfume lies in the psychological lift i brings, he urges occasional change, suiting mood and season To adopt one scent as a signature is to lose its lift. Awarenes diminishes as the olfactory nerve tires, becomes unresponsive

Some perceptive women discover that climate, too, may b unresponsive. Flitting from city to country, from north t south, from continent to continent, may direct a change o fragrance. One New York fashion editor, for example, found her pet perfume smelled different and less lovely in the softe

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Fragrance —the secret agent

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air of Paris. For her stays there she switches her perfumes.

Indoors, too, temperatures have their effects. The gentle heat of bath water or of fresh-from-the-bath skin brings out the best in a "warm" fragrance, as contrasted with a "green" one, in bath oil, in body spray, according to Mr. Granitz.

"Warm" and "green" are two of the not-very-many tags for various kinds of fragrance. Strange that the basic vocabulary in this fascinating field is so limited. Floral, spicy, mossy, fruity, musky—these identify, in a general way, dominant impressions. Oriental and bouquet imply complex interlacings. From there out it's off and away with emotion-laden words, from alluring to zestful, that suggest the soul of a scent rather than what it's made of. Fair enough, since it is chosen for the feeling it arouses, never mind about the secret formula responsible.

Confirming this, Mala Rubinstein, who, at Helena Rubinstein, is following in her famous aunt's footsteps, says that the primary role of fragrance is "to lift everyone's spirits, beginning with one's own." The means? Perfume, of course. "No woman should be without it." And, too, its lighter summery versions, cologne, eau de toilette: the ever-increasing group of pleasures-with-a-purpose, such as emollients to counteract the dryness due to overheated rooms or too much sun exposure: finally, creamy soaps that scent as they cleanse. Miss Rubinstein herself even uses a delicious fine soap just to wash out a pair of nylons.

How to choose between scents

But how to choose *which* fragrances? The effect of all scents meant for skin contact depends to a degree on the wearer's chemistry. It is the interaction of formula and flesh that accounts for the same fragrance smelling different on different people. Only by experiment can one discover what is most rewarding on one's own skin.

How *much* fragrance to use is another puzzler. Charles Revson, chairman of the board of Revlon, thinks many women employ scent too sparingly. Freshly applied fragrance surrounds one with such a delicious aura that it seems, at the moment, enough, though perhaps it isn't. "The intent to smell," as he phrases it, should be carried out. The greater the wearer's sensitivity—in every way, to color, sound, touch, too—the more likely she is to use, instinctively, the right amount for her.

"Perfume is personal," says Paddy Davies, Lentheric's chairman of the board. "Fragrance is perhaps the only thing manufactured by man that expresses a variety of emotions. A beautiful fragrance and the reception of it create a communication between people. It is the language of emotion." ■

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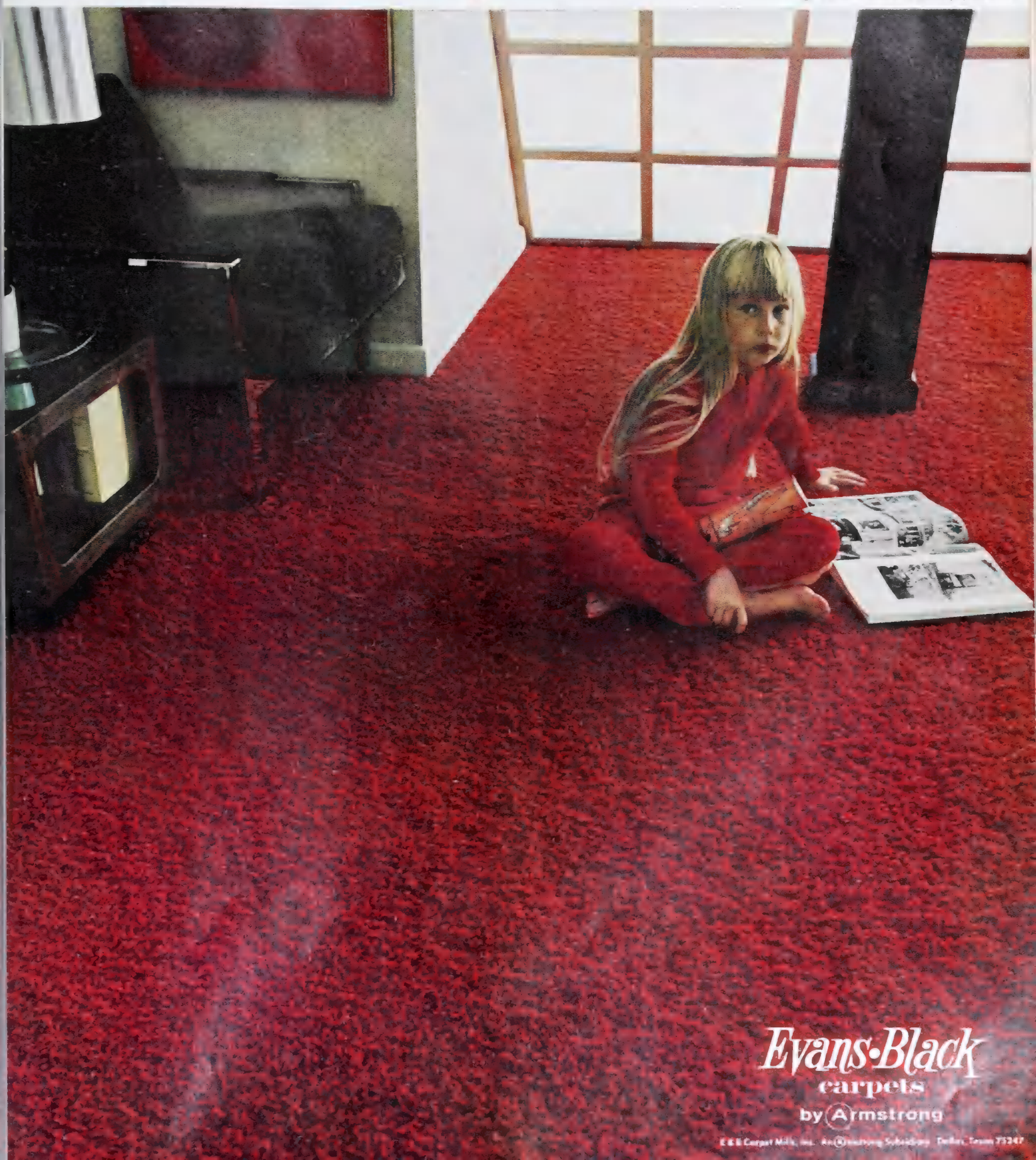
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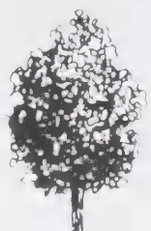
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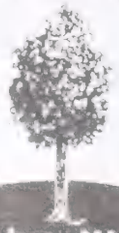
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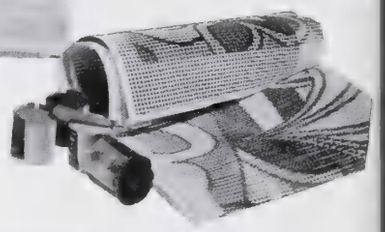
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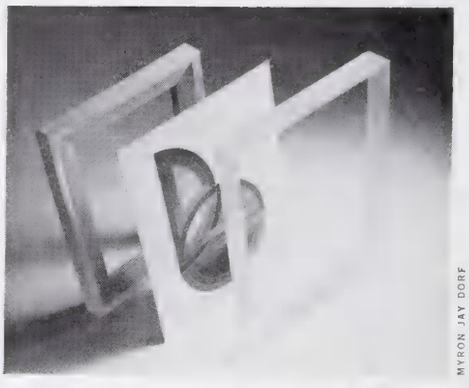
IT'S WORTH MENTIONING

By Julie Polshek



A REWARDING HOOKI PROJECT, and very e yarn comes in ready lengths, elementary stitch plies them. The design, ated by Bert Zagory for S nerin, complements any cor: color scheme ble dominant brown hues, ora black, silver gray, gold. Pretty Paisley Spinnerin $41.50, supplies a deluxe v yarn (83 packets). Printed vas and needle alone, Bloomingdale's, N.Y.C. 10



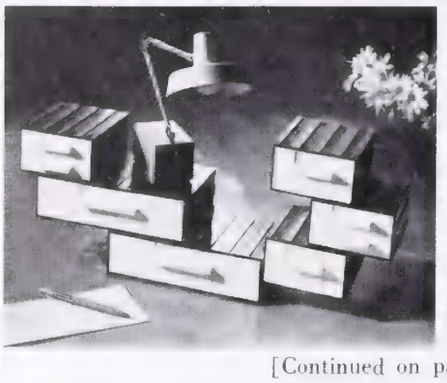


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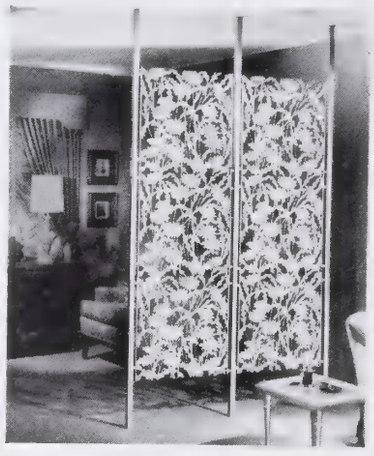


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LIKE YESTERDAY'S CLOCKS, this modern cordless-electric counterpart is meant for noticed display. The Early American design unites 8-inch-dial timepiece with linen panel handpainted florally: finely beveled framing surrounds them. The Seth Thomas Middleton clock has an all-hardwood case, distressed fruitwood finish, 30″ height. $60: timepiece has a Dual-Jewel transistor movement reliably accurate. From Jordan-Marsh, Boston, Mass. 02111.





THE POPULAR DAISY MO forms 23¾″ squares that make Galway room divider shown h They cost $12 each, include mo ing hardware: they're reprodu from a hand-carved original. C scheme mixes random white yellow blossoms with avocado-gr foliage. Matching green ten poles, $8 each, adjust from 7 to 8′ 4″: 12″ extensions cost each. Screw-on clips assem the panels. From Macy's, Her Square, New York, N.Y. 10001.

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A CORDLESS-ELECTRIC BEAM light illuminates the Kembric Mirrored Tie Rack. It's all a compact unit devised for the rear of a closet door. It holds fifty belts or neckties on sliding hooks. Light unit has adjustable position; gives obvious aid in selecting the tie-of-the-day and inspecting donned result. Costs $8; is battery operated by four AA cells (not included). From Gimbel's, Broadway at 33rd St., N.Y.C. 10001.

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THE BOWL for measuring food being chopped or clearing the surface has obvious convenience. The tough wood block is an edge-grain solid birch processed for prevention of splintering or cracking. Legs are cork-tipped for non-sliding. The Marton Chop 'N Measure Block comes in three sizes: 8¾", 10", 11¼": all are square, all 2" high. $7, $9, $10. The bowl is a ½-cup measurer. From B. Altman & Co., N.Y.C. 10016.

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IDEAS TO BUILD ON

New ways and new products to better your home: a current report by House Beautiful's Building Edit

Fiber glass shows its strength

Just how tough is fiber-glass-reinforced plastic? Tough enough, at least, to make boats, bathtubs, sports cars, awnings, lawn furniture and cabanas. But not long ago a demolition crew at Disneyland in Anaheim, California got a surprising—and frustrating—taste of fiber-glass strength.

With plans under way to update Tomorrowland, park officials decided to remove the Home of the Future, Monsanto Company's ten-year-old experimental house built with an Owens-Corning Fiberglas-reinforced plastic shell. The demolition men estimated it would take a day to fell the house. Instead, the crew spent two weeks tearing it down.

A crane-operated, 3,000-pound steel wrecking ball, designed to pulverize brick and masonry, simply bounced off the wall. With heavier equipment, the crew managed to tear the shell from its concrete foundation, snapping half-inch steel anchor bolts but leaving the plastic untouched. Finally, choker cables literally squeezed the larger reinforced plastic modules into pieces small enough to be hauled away by truck.

The home was designed originally by Hamilton and Goody of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and built by Monsanto with 16 plastic modules cantilevered from a central utility core.

Space-age home office

Tired of commuting to and from work every day? There's promise ahead of better things for you, according to economist Gene Wunderlich, quoted in *American Builder*, a business magazine. If home and office were linked with a full range of communications—telephone, television, data transmission, computers by phone, all of which are technically possible right now—you could dispense with each day's work in your own den. Side benefits would include less in-city crowding, more development opportunities in communications far from city centers.

Of course, that might scuttle the business lunch and reduce reading time on the commute special. And is Mr. Wunderli sure the lady of the house *wa* her husband home all day?

Cardboard carpentry

Teaching your youngsters the of using hand tools can be a fr trating experience for you a the children. Little ones, find especially difficult to saw throu a board in anything resembli the normal number of strokes quired. For them, wielding a ha mer can turn into a succession bent nails or bruised fingers.



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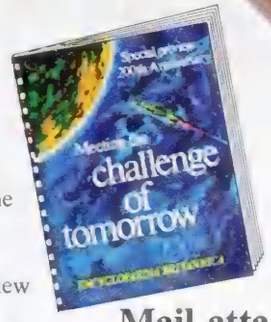
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your home or apartment, you might want to know about a new cylinder lock which, as far as anyone knows, has never been picked. Appropriately enough, it's called Miracle Lock and opens when the key has simultaneously tripped the pin tumblers (just as in standard locks) and made contact with four magnetic positions of preset, varying strengths (that's the big difference). This takes place when four tiny magnets set into the key match four more within the cylinder. The lock will not open if only the pin tumblers are tripped.

You can have a locksmith put it into a new door, or replace the cylinder lock on your present door. Cost for the lock and two keys is around $20, and installation ought to be under $8. Extra keys will cost about $2 apiece. If local locksmiths can't supply the unit, write the manufacturer for a source: Miracle Lock Corp., Subsidiary of Liquidonics Industries, Inc., 242 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

Room air-conditioner changes

Less sound; more beauty. Those are the most notable new features of window and through-the-wall air conditioners for 1969. If you're thinking of buying one this summer, now is the time to visit a dealer to look over the choices. Why? Because you'll have a wider selection, and the dealer will be less busy and more inclined to spend time putting the conditioner in correctly. Some examples of what you'll find:

From Carrier—nine models in what the company calls its Cosmopolitan Series, each with a set of attractive shutters closing off the machinery, and a horizontal, inlaid panel of wood covering the air vents. The panel automatically hinges down when you press the "cool" button. Available in 6,700 to 22,500 Btu sizes.

From Chrysler Airtemp—for its Imperial conditioners, a choice of handsome front panels in a variety of wood grains; a reproduction of an Old World map, called Ancient Voyager, and a scene from old Venice: the Aegean landscape. Panels slip in and out of tracks in the conditioner as easily as a letter chucked into a mail slot. The Imperial coolers range from 6,500 to 18,000 Btu's. In addition, Airtemp has introduced "The Sleeper," room units sized for a bedroom or nursery. Cushion-mounted blower and compressor, and thermal insulation on the metal cabinet keep fan and compressor noise down to a barely audible level. There are five models, from 5,000 to 8,000 Btu's.

From Westinghouse—a conditioner with all moving parts *outside* the window. What you see inside the sash is a window-wide cabinet that (1) is only about 8" high, and (2) sends cool air into the room almost soundlessly. The name: Continental SS; capacities run from 11,000 to 15,000 Btu's.

From Fedders—a big step forward for room units. (See "Ultimate Indoor Comfort," Feb. 1969 issue.) Now available with room air conditioners by Fedders, an electronic air cleaner that removes up to 95 percent of airborne pollutant particles. The unit is by Honeywell, and Fedders has given it the clever name of MedicAir. Cost for the air cleaner—around $120. The cleaner fastens to the conditioner's face.

Odor filter from GE

For its 1969 Fashionaire room air conditioners, General Electric has included an activated charcoal filter that helps screen out any unpleasant odors in a room. Available in 6,700, 8,700, and 10,200 Btu capacities, the series operates on 115-volt current and draws only 7.5 amps. Units are housed in the company's molded Lexan plastic, and decorated along the front panel with six vertical strips surfaced with a rosewood-grain finish. Prices, claims the company, are competitive with equivalent models.

Who really litters?

Be on the lookout for a 28-year-old father of four, who lives with his family in a small community. This man, according to a recent Gallup survey, is the most likely candidate for the title of litterbug. He is one among millions who toss trash along the highways and byways of this country, and contribute to a U.S. litter bill that now approaches one billion dollars... money that comes from your real estate and income taxes, more than from other sources.

An interesting survey on litter, the results showed that men litter nearly twice as much as women; that people between the ages of 21 and 35 clutter up the scenery twice as much as those between 35 and 49, and three times as much as people over 50. Large

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Ideas to build on

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families are more likely to litter than small ones, Gallup said, and residents of small towns more than people who live in the big cities.

Footnotes on windows

After our story, "All About Windows" appeared in the September, 1968 *House Beautiful*, I discovered some further modifications that might prove valuable to you.

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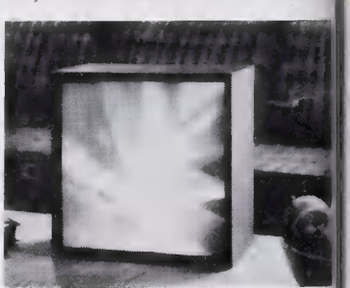
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Look for the Hotpoint Difference

By Helen McCully

Nobody ever tells you these things . . . about food and drink

Is a porterhouse the same as a T-bone steak?

It's like this: both come from what is known, commercially, as the short loin of beef. *Porterhouse*, considered by many the best of all steaks, cut from the large end of the short loin, includes a generous piece of the tenderloin; *strip*, or boneless loin (also known as New York cut in the West but not in New York) is a porterhouse with the tenderloin removed; *T-bone*, with a smaller amount of tenderloin, also cut from the short loin; *shell steak*, a T-bone or porterhouse with the tenderloin removed; the fifth steak from this section, called a *club* or *Delmonico* (boneless club), has no tenderloin. But note that in some areas rib steaks, from the same section as the standing rib roast, are often sold as club steaks. All these steaks can be broiled or sautéed (also called pan-fried and pan-broiled).

What is a filet mignon?

First of all, let's discuss the tenderloin. The least-used muscle in the animal and therefore the most tender (some say the least flavorful, too) begins in the sirloin and ends at the rib end of the short loin (see above). It is from the tenderloin, also called fillet of beef, that we get the following "steak" cuts: *Châteaubriand*, a double tenderloin, cut out of the center or thick end, usually served to two; *petit filet*, *tournedos*, and *filet mignon*, the latter coming from the tip or smallest end. Other than the *châteaubriand*, which is cut two inches thick, they are all cut about one inch thick and all are cooked the same way—either sautéed or broiled, usually served with a sauce. The tenderloin, larded, or barded, with fat, can be roasted at a high temperature. Currently one of the most popular recipes is *Boeuf Wellington*, the fillet of beef coated with *foie-gras* or *duxelles*, wrapped in pastry, then baked. Customarily served with *Sauce Périgueux* (Madeira and truffles). An overrated dish that belongs in the professional kitchen, in our opinion.

What are the winter pears?

They are in the market now and will be through June: the chunky Anjou, green or greenish yellow; the Bosco, with the long, tapering neck, green or brown to golden russet; and the Comice, famous for its great size and beauty, greenish yellow to yellow with red splashings. Note, if the pears are to be cooked, they should be very firm. Always peel pears to eat out of hand to savor them at their most delicious, and preferably serve at room temperature.

How do you ripen winter pears?

The pear experts recommend buying firm pears and ripening them at home. Keep the pears in a bowl at room temperature until the flesh yields to gentle pressure in the palm of your hand. You'll note that pears, whatever the color or variety, begin to ripen at the stem end, and it usually takes from three to five days for them to reach just the right stage of ripeness to eat out of hand. After they are fully ripe, store in the refrigerator. Never refrigerate unripened pears. In some food stores you may find "conditioned" pears, which simply means they are ready for immediate use. *Note*: Pears should never be frozen.

Should potatoes be refrigerated?

"No," says Cornell University's Consumer Education Program (N.Y.C.), because "long storage below 40° turns potato starch to sugars and causes a sweet taste to develop." Potatoes should be stored away from light (light causes the surface to turn green and the potatoes to develop a slightly bitter flavor) in a cool but not cold temperature; 50° to 70° is okay for short storage periods.

What exactly is a casserole?

Both the Oxford English Dictionary and *Dictionnaire de l'Académie des Gastronomes* say it is the diminutive of *casse*, French for an open-mouthed pan, bowl, or basin, with or without a cover. Hence the many French recipes that call for a casserole. The cast-iron Dutch oven, familiar to many American cooks (once popular but used less today because iron discolors foods cooked with wine or eggs), is a casserole in the French sense. In the U.S. today, however, casserole usually means a one-dish meal made with two or more ingredients cooked in a casserole or bake-and-serve dish.

What is a prune?

Prunes (*prune* is French for a fresh plum, and *pruneau* for dried) are a special variety of tree-ripened royal purple plums that are washed and then dehydrated. This turns them into prunes. One further step, prior to packaging, is a steam treatment which makes them moist, tender, ready to eat. Available pitted and unpitted.

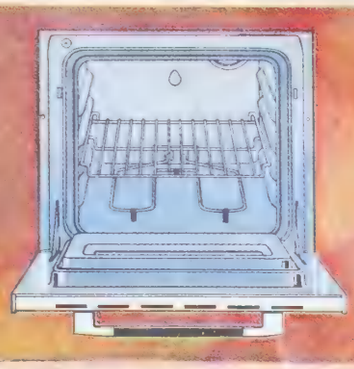
What is sorrel?

In his *Herb and Spice Cook Book*, Craig Claiborne says, "It has been characterized as a sour-leaf version of spinach." Sorrel, which derives from the Greek for sour, is a leafy vegetable which applies to several species of the genus *Rumex*. In an impressive new book, *The World of Vegetable Cookery* by Alex D. Hawkes (Simon & Schuster), the author writes: "In this country we have both native and naturalized sorrel," adding that "Sour Grass is another well-known North American vernacular, and the name Dock is also applied regionally to some of these plants, such as the Belleville Dock, Spinach Dock, the Curled and Narrow-leafed Dock, the Bitter or Broad-leafed Dock, and so on." The French are great admirers of sorrel and have created a most delicate soup, *Potage Crème d'Oseille*, also called *Potage Germiny*. Sorrel can be braised: cooked, then puréed and served with heated heavy cream: a small amount, chopped, added to salads gives a special flavor. Sorrel grows readily in the garden (only a limited number of seedsmen carry the seeds but they're worth tracking down) and occasionally bunches of fresh sorrel will turn up in good markets in our large cities.

A loving reader edits the Food Editor

In the November, 1968 issue we said that *tahini* was sesame-seed oil. Not right, writes Miss Louise Thompson of New York, and right she is. *Tahini* (also spelled *taheeni*) is a paste made of sesame-seed oil mixed with lemon juice, garlic, salt, and chopped parsley. Used extensively in Near Eastern cookery as a dressing for fish or meat; with vegetables such as cauliflower or eggplant; and on salads. ■

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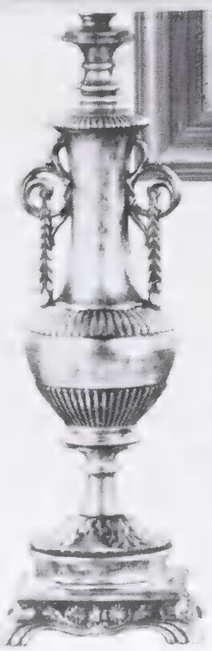
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Décor and the psyche

House Beautiful asked a leading psychiatrist to trace the effects of interior design on personality

Will a child raised in a sunny room develop a sunny disposition? Will a melancholy man immerse himself in brown and black surroundings to match his mood? Such questions have never been researched, and as a result there is no valid scientific answer to either of them. But any imaginative behavioral scientist can combine his in-depth knowledge of human personality with his everyday knowledge of color and style to make reasonable, if theoretical, responses to these and related questions.

We know that psychological needs change as we grow older and that external events make an impact on individuals which alter their mood and consequently their response to the shapes and colors which are part of their environment. Just as dreamy sentimental music appeals to the young person in love while noisy dissonant tones irritate him, so the strident colors of pop art discomfort an adult in sorrow who would feel much more at ease in the presence of stained-glass paintings of more sombre hue. Both these individuals under other circumstances might have preferred almost directly opposite sounds and sights. No one is truly permanently fixed in his taste. Age and circumstance change likes and dislikes in even the most apparently hidebound traditionalist.

It is known that an infant is frightened by bright light or loud noise. In planning a baby's room it is best to provide him with muted colors, rather dim lights, and good soundproofing. Physical security, however, is not enough. The development of a feeling of basic trust is the most important emotional need of the infant, and that kind of emotional security is developed best when an infant is held closely and comfortably by a tranquil adult. Therefore, furniture in the nursery should take the mother's—not the baby's—needs into consideration. A mother comfortably seated after easily preparing the formula and the crib is usually in the sort of mood that promotes feelings of security and trust in her child.

After two, the need for gaining a sense of autonomy becomes more prominent. The child needs to know that he is separate from his mother. His room needs to be filled with light so that he can see the world that lies outside, and he should have chairs and tables he is able to move about by himself. He should not be overwhelmed by what he sees around him but given a feeling of being able to make choices and try things out by himself. Of course, this often includes painting on or picking off wallpaper as well as sticking fingers into base plugs, and such contingencies should be planned for.

About the age of four, it becomes important to encourage initiative. More planning about decorating the room should be left to the child, particularly if the child is a girl. She should be a partner in decision-making regarding wallpaper and rugs—even furniture; and boys should be allowed to paint their own furniture and place it about their rooms according to the whim of the moment. Children's own "bright" ideas about décor should be indulged as much as possible at this stage of development.

Later on, at seven or eight, work habits are being formed and industry becomes the main task

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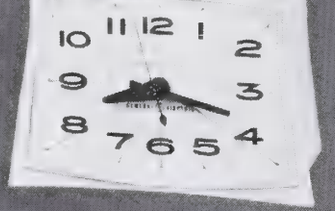
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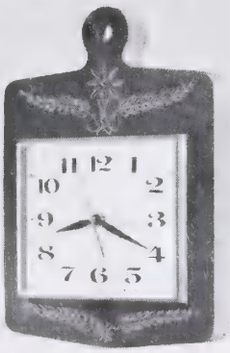
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of development. Now parents have to reenter the picture and structure the room around the job to be done—homework. Good reading and writing lights, broad desk surface, a blackboard, and a bed that is well disguised and uninviting are helpful in focusing the energy of the schoolchild on his work. Distractions should be kept at a minimum—a few pictures on the wall, dull colors on upholstery, curtains, and walls, record-player in a cabinet, and the radio on a table far away from the desk. The latter cuts down on the station-hopping done to avoid commercials and stay away from studying. This may seem grim advice, but it is the last chance for parents to make a significant impact on their child's habit formation before the onset of adolescence.

Rebellion and independence

With adolescence come rebellion and independence—both healthy traits if held within bounds. The teenager, as we have all been told a thousand times, is searching for his identity. By changing his room décor to fit his varying moods, he may find some understanding of what feels most right to him, and in this way gain some clearer sense of self. At this time of life, there comes a need to throw away parental standards and values temporarily and to search for others which, though they may not truly be one's own, feel more so because at least they are different from those of the family. The high-school child's room soon becomes either an oasis or a blemish (depending on which side of the generation gap you are)—psychedelia in the midst of Victoriana, pop art in a house of Copleys and Sargents or, as I saw it once, Charles Addams in one of Frank Lloyd Wright's quite classic homes.

It is best to let the adolescent live out his or her experiments in decoration. Better the shock of blown-up plastic Baby Ruth pillows, tinted photographs of long-haired male pop singers, eight loudspeakers, 50 feet of wire strung between them, and rocket launchers in a corner than the pig sty that usually results from insisting that a teenager inhabit a room decorated in the same style that he lived in as a child. Of course, there is no guarantee that one will prevent the other, but the odds are better.

Adults' psychological change, too. The young w newly married suddenly is f design and decorate an house to her own taste than a single room. The si her assignment is often sta ing, and her great need to d in her first effort often lead to be conservative and to a closely to the advice of a de tor or her more experi friends. She likes brightne color to match the shiny ne of her marriage, and she to hide the heirloom we present and display those of modern design. She is movin of the family home and sta a new one of her own. I mind, to have it be a bette it must be a different one. Id as time goes on, her own in ual taste will gain expressio her husband's likes and di will also exert their influ with the result that a cong couple's house will be eclec style—a unique meld of tw sonal styles making a which has special meanin each and presents a refre originality well within the of good taste to the visitor.

The children's hour

With the advent of chil the housewife tends to ne the interior decoration of house, and it is now that the band may step to the fore. so much of his wife's atte diverted to her maternal inte he may feel neglected and is ly to take this opportunity sist on some changes in h brary or study. Perhaps tha ten promised conservator swimming pool will sud seem urgent, and he will beg ask for help and advice in ge these plans onto the dra board and into action. would do well to heed these tle pleas for attention—if on prevent the intervention comely decorator.

At the time of a separati divorce, both men and w usually initially seek out the pany of others of the same and their tastes in décor become intensely masculin feminine. For the moment have had more than enoug the opposite sex. Men will r orate in cigar brown or cha gray. They may put up hu prints, gun racks, or haul

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long-denied pictures of club groups and prep-school football teams.

Women will tend to do over rooms in frothy light greens and yellows to represent spring and the start of a new life. Sometimes freedom is clearly symbolized in their style of décor. One woman did her living room in butterflies, obviously an unconscious expression of her happiness at being out of the cocoon at last and free to flit about. She also put travel posters on her shower curtain. Another woman took the frames off her pictures, leaving them as unencumbered as her feelings.

Mood influences choice of décor, and décor influences mood. Their interplay is complicated and indefinable. Each intermixes with the other in a kaleidoscopic mélange that defies analysis but which is responsible to some degree for man's ability, such as it is, to cope with his feelings and his environment. ■

Where the past is prologue

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On that day long ago, my husband and I, two very different people then, wandered hand in hand over the grounds and stretched out on the tender April grass near the tennis court between the two houses. It seemed to me as though our twined fingers had become the very core of our beings, and I examined his hands, aristocratic and delicate for such a tall, athletic boy, and his small-boned wrists sprinkled with dark hair, as though they held all the secrets of this magnetic stranger I was about to marry.

The tennis court is now unused, overgrown with weeds, and the parents' house stands empty, up for sale. My first view of its interior was sunfilled, crowded with chintz and huge basins of flowers, smelling of country houses the world over. My husband's mother and father reigned over this smiling, orderly kingdom and made me welcome.

Still hand in hand, we walked across to Granny's house, not knowing that before long it would be ours. How exotic it seemed to me at that time, its atmosphere more old-fashioned than its neighbor's. It held many trophies of the old couple's foreign travels. The years spent in Constantinople, where Grandfather had been ambassador, had left behind a Turkish coffee table, old urns, and a sedan chair (now disappeared) that housed a telephone. At the threshold, a Jewish prayer rug is a reminder of Grandfather's piety, worn thin in succeeding generations but still existing faintly in the faded, threadbare pattern of the traditional seven-branched candleholder. Grandfather had died many years before I joined the family. Upstairs, in what we call the "ghost room," once his study, there are numerous prints of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, attesting to Grandfather's patriotism and his allegiance to the Republican party he served.

I have often studied his photograph. He is a small, thin man in a straw hat, wing collar, and white shoes, wearing a black band on his sleeve in mourning for some long-forgotten kinsman. He has a long beard (red in his youth, I have been told), high-bridged Semitic nose, eyes that are both kind and stern. His wife, all in white, larger than he, is standing well below him on the steps where they are posed.

That day the widowed Granny received us on the screened porch. She had grown immensely stout, and her jowls hung in parchmentlike folds. She reminded me of an ancient turtle. Attending her was her maid, Lisa, and Nero, her disreputable cocker spaniel. [Continued on page 52]

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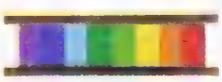
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Lisa had served my husband's grandparents through all the years of their marriage, in all their dwellings on foreign soil. Herself a native of some obscure European country, she was a gypsy type, swarthy, toothless, and domineering, and she always left a musty odor in her wake. She was even more bulky than Granny, with huge, bandaged legs that could still be active in attendance on her mistress. The two old women form in my memory ponderous odalisques, and their image lingers somewhere in the house to this very day.

I remember Granny's sharp black eyes and her long, pointed chin which repeated her mother's and her mother's mother's as shown in the portraits that hang in the house now. At the time of our meeting she was an energetic old woman, audacious and undomestic, more interested in safaris to Africa with the most daring of her grandchildren than in running a house. She left all that to the trusted Lisa. The wicker furniture, the Tiffany lamps, and the painted bedroom suites are Granny's legacy to us: they are her neglected children, who have managed, somehow, to survive. And they have acquired with the years a certain charm, accrued from family life, varied but continuous, speaking of the passing generations and the stubborn persistence of inanimate objects.

Long-lost elegance

The jutting screened porches of Granny's house are joined by a terra-cotta tile terrace that used to overlook a formal rose garden ending in a trellised gazebo. The atmosphere was Continental turn-of-the-century, and one could imagine long-skirted, elegant ladies with parasols moving in sculptural rectitude along the gravel paths around the geometrical flower beds. Instead, two old women, fat and somewhat sloppy, looked upon the well-tended property and its far-flung view with dimming eyes that had seen the dirty, teeming streets of Constantinople and the burning sweep of desert under a relentless sun.

After we took over the house, the rose garden, in the care of old Jerry Malherba, once Granny's undergardener, evolved into a vivid tangle of zinnias, marigolds, petunias, and dahlias. My son and his friends would often race through the riotous beds in search of a lost ball or a toy automobile. An unchecked growth of wisteria concealed the gazebo. Behind it a giant elm had risen, its wide branches sheltering the whole garden like a huge umbrella. In the evening after dinner, my husband and I sit on the terrace to watch the width of western sky presenting its moving picture of changing color. Blue becomes pink, magenta, molten scarlet, then dusky gray; cloud formations hurry after one another toward the setting sun. The days grow longer, then shorter, and the stars appear sprinkled carelessly against the black backdrop. The fireflies compete fitfully with their brightness, and the tree toads and cicadas form a mesh of small noises. And always the elm tree stood guard, housing numerous bird families; sometimes the tree was alive with their twitterings and hoppings.

The sameness of change

Friends often joined us on the terrace, new ones taking the places of old; but the familiarity of the setting and our voices lost in space gave a sameness to these gatherings through the years. At one time, a young girl played the guitar and sang in a husky voice. We argued about war, politics, books, and people. Our baby was asleep in his crib upstairs; and then he was with us, his newly deep schoolboy's voice joining the others. And still no time seemed to have passed, nothing had changed very much. . . .

One evening as we sat at our places, Tom, the gardener, appeared accompanied by Jerry, retired and almost blind. The wildflower beds had now given way to a smooth lawn with a fountain that threw a jet of white water from an Italian urn into a circular basin. The flowers were reduced to a bright border of geraniums, alyssum, and phlox. My husband's parents' house had been sold to a new family who were making changes in our shared sewage system, but no one could remember the place where the cesspools were joined.

Then someone thought of Jerry; he went farthest back. Like a blind oracle, he moved over the well-known land and with unfaltering direction led Tom to the area where the lid was buried. His cane pointed imperiously to the exact spot, and then he slow-

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ly retraced his steps, his mission accomplished, dignified and quietly triumphant in his omniscience. I never saw him again.

Summer after summer we would continue our mosaic of small talk on the terrace. "What is that light on the horizon?" someone was sure to ask.

"We have never known. Best not to know." Distance could transform suburban Westchester into the hills of Tuscany.

"The moon is almost full."

"Tomorrow will be hot, I think. . . ."

Late one summer we noticed a change in the elm. Its branches, once so protective, were becoming contorted and withered, like supplicant arms in a death agony. We worked to give it extra water and nourishment, but to no avail. We had to stand by and watch it succumb to the advancing blight. At last, in September, some men with axes were called to chop it down. We averted our eyes from the place where it had been and welcomed the distraction of the move back to the city, where the logs we used in the fireplace that winter were all that remained of our sheltering elm.

Although more hours were spent at the back of the house—on the terrace, the porches, and in the flower garden—the front strikes sharper notes in my memory: the accustomed but eagerly awaited sound of the wheels of my husband's car skidding to a halt on the driveway, my son's first bicycle wobbling down the hill, and the shrill warning of its oversized horn.

The vegetable garden extending toward the slope of the orchard belongs particularly to my husband. On his return from the city, it refreshes him like a beneficent spa. And I believe that it is here that he derives his strongest sense of continuity and family life. I enjoy following him along the orderly green rows, observing the vitality of his walk—each step seems like a contained leap. Together we sniff the delicious aroma of reddening tomatoes and point out the maturing gold of the corn tassels and hardy clusters of Brussels sprouts chilled by the first frost.

We were picking raspberries the night after our small son's first departure for summer camp. The myriad discoveries hidden in the bushy vines and the growing juicy mounds in our baskets somehow comforted our feelings of vague loneliness and anxiety. I remember that in the distance we heard the familiar explosion of Fourth of July rockets, and we both recalled with nostalgia the miniature celebrations held at Jacnor Farm when our son and his friends waited impatiently for it to be dark enough to begin. . . .

As I rounded the corner of the house set ablaze by the setting sun that November afternoon, I saw the terrace and garden prepared for the hiatus of winter. The *chaises longues* were stacked inside the screened porches, and the fountain was silenced and swathed in burlap for protection against the cold. Two black fir trees stood sentinel before the gazebo. Now that the elm was gone, they had been revealed in straight outline pointing up into the fiery sky. Severe and melancholy, they gave the garden a formal Italian aspect, like the cypress guarding the cemeteries. Surely they had been part of the original plan drawn up long ago by some forgotten architect and Grandfather and Granny, and I might possibly find the drawings in the attic along with a discarded rocking chair, a dusty wicker lamp, a broken-down bedstead. For years the fir trees had been blotted out by the exuberant growth of the elm behind them. But strangely, I no longer missed the elm whose busy, hospitable branches had seemed so indispensable. I prefer the still, somber beauty of the fir trees. Is one always unwittingly faithless to one's own past, I wondered. But the impassive, glowing, golden sky gave me no answer. ■



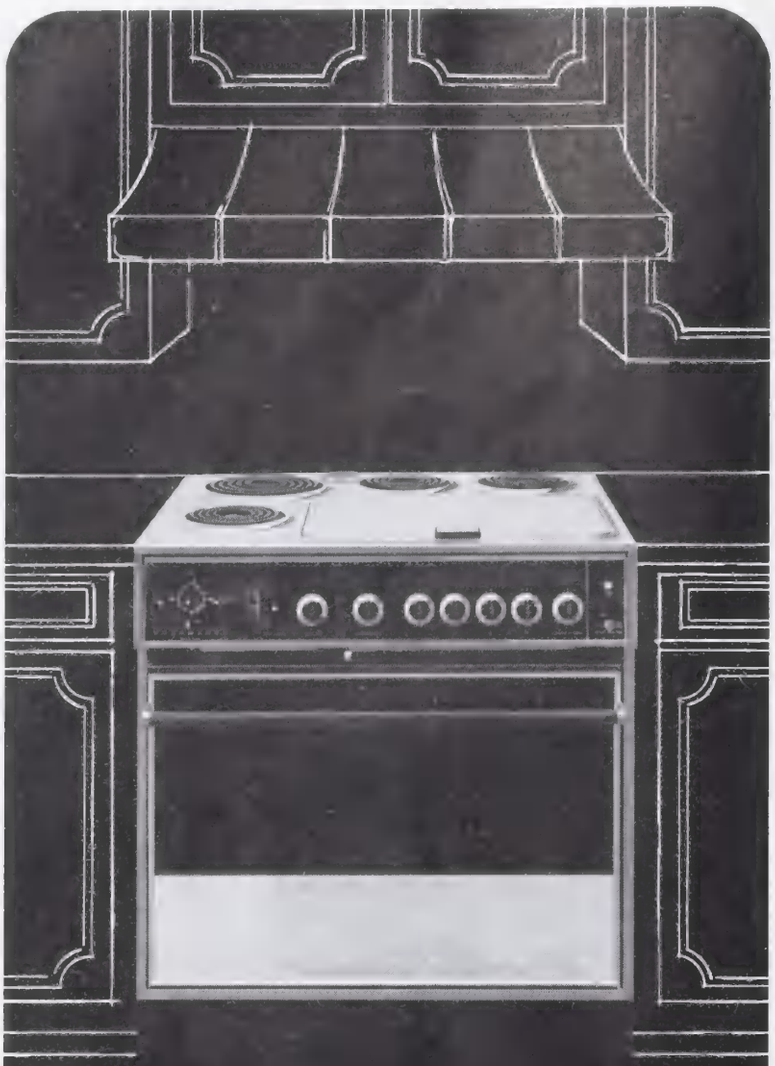


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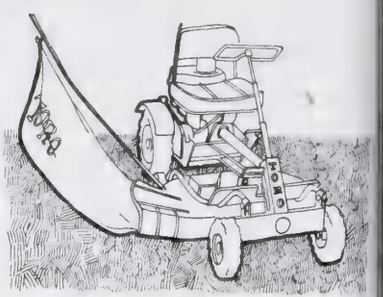
Riding mowers and tractors also have a fun element not unlike that of owning a sports car. There is styling to consider, along with horsepower, automatic transmission, and dress-up accessories.

Electric starters and automatic choking have moved these machines into a class with the family automobile—you expect them to start every time. Other convenience factors include easy height adjustments, better grass-catching devices, simpler controls, easier cleaning systems, and the availability of more horsepower without increased weight.

In the sit-down mower field there are three basic categories: the riding mower, the lawn tractor, and the garden tractor. Riders range approximately from $200 to $600; lawn tractors from $250 to $500; and garden tractors from $600 to $1500.

While the prices overlap, there are distinct differences in design. Riding mowers have the "road grader" look, with a rear-mounted engine. Lawn tractors generally have the appearance of a big tractor in miniature, with front-mounted engine, but the power capabilities of a riding mower. Garden tractors are scaled-down versions of larger tractors, usually with a horsepower range of from 7 to 12, sometimes 14.

The only way to buy a riding mower or garden tractor is to shop for it yourself. Evaluate performance, stability, safety, ease of operation, and versatility in all seasons. Consider the size of your lawn, and whether or not other attachments would be useful for various other chores. The person who will operate the mower or tractor should try it for size.



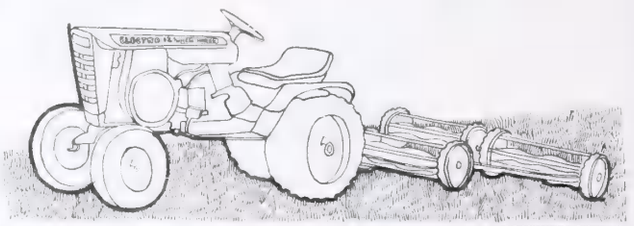
Riders cut 24 to 42 inches wide. Attachments include grassbagger.

Riding mowers

Perhaps the greatest thing going for the riding mower is that by nature of its design, a complete unobstructed view is provided of the area to be cut or otherwise driven over. There are many advancements in this field. One is the use of a floating deck for rotary mowers which minimizes scalping of uneven turf areas. As optional equipment, electric key-starting is available on many units this year.

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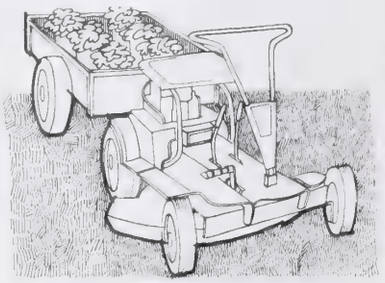
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inch rotary cutting blade and 5 hp will cost in the neighborhood of $300 to $350. Most offer a friction-drive transmission with forward, neutral, and reverse. The Wheel-Horse R26 is available with electric, key-starting. Gilson's RM5 has controls grouped on a console for ease in operating. Hahn-Eclipse Pow-R-Boy has a trailer hitch, seat cushion, and grassbag as optional equipment.

Center-pivot steering on Bolens' Lawn and Estate Keeper lines lets you circle shrubs, cut square corners, and edge up to fences and walls where other equipment could not reach. In this design the rotary mower actually precedes the main weight of the equipment.

AMF's Homko electric-start rotary rider has 7 hp and a 30-inch cut. The rear bumper which comes as standard equipment doubles as a storage stand when the mower is not in use; Atlas also makes a rider with this feature.

If you want sporty styling in a riding mower, consider International Harvester's Cadet 60 with streamlined body of fiber glass. The 6-hp motor powers a 32-inch rotary mower with safety rear discharge. While in motion, cutting height can be adjusted from 1½ to 4 inches.

Jacobsen's Javelin 6-hp riding mower will clip an acre of lawn an hour. It has road-grader styling plus a "fast-back" look for the engine cover.

Lawn-Boy's 7-hp rider has a 30-inch cutting swath and a 12-volt electric starting system which provides up to 400 or a "season" of starts.

The Snapper Comet riding mower from McDonough Power Equipment has a cutter suspension with no rollers or skid bars to mark the turf. The instant cutter-height adjustment has eight settings, from 1 to 4 inches, and can be adjusted while mowing.

Toro's 6-hp Big Red riding mower has a unique safety seat: the instant the operator dismounts, wheels stop and the blade locks. It is available with either a 34-inch rotary cutter and rubber-tired casters, or a 25-inch rotary with wind-tunnel housing that can be used for spring-cleaning of the lawn, to bag summer grass clippings, or autumn leaves.

The name "Roto-Hoe" has become a generic term for tillers, but the same firm also makes riding mowers. The Turf Star Islander with a 7-hp engine offers a 32-inch cut and has a trailer hitch.

Lawn tractors

Between the riding mowers and garden tractors are the tractor-type riders. Four to consider:

The AMF Homko 1272 is a 7-hp, 26-inch mower with fenders, a large tool tote box, and a drawbar hitch.

Homelite's Yard Trac has a 5-hp engine, 26-inch cut, and grouped controls operated from the bucket-type driver's seat.

The Ranchero from Huffy has a tractorlike appearance with 4-hp engine, and 24-inch mower.

Toro's 5-hp lawn tractor has a 25-inch wind-tunnel housing for the rotary mower, with convenient lift lever for cutting height selection. A bagging attachment is optional.

Garden tractors

While the primary reason for buying a garden tractor may be its use for powering a rotary or reel-mower attachment, the tractor will serve other important needs around the yard all year.

This year's garden tractors have increased shielding of moving parts, parking brakes, and wide wheel base for stability. Also important: ample backrests to help rider keep his seat, large footrests to give operator stability, and a "safety neutral" with hydrostatic (automotive) drives to prevent instant reversing of direction. Visibility is also being improved so the operator can view attachments and the work area without obstruction. The automotive-type

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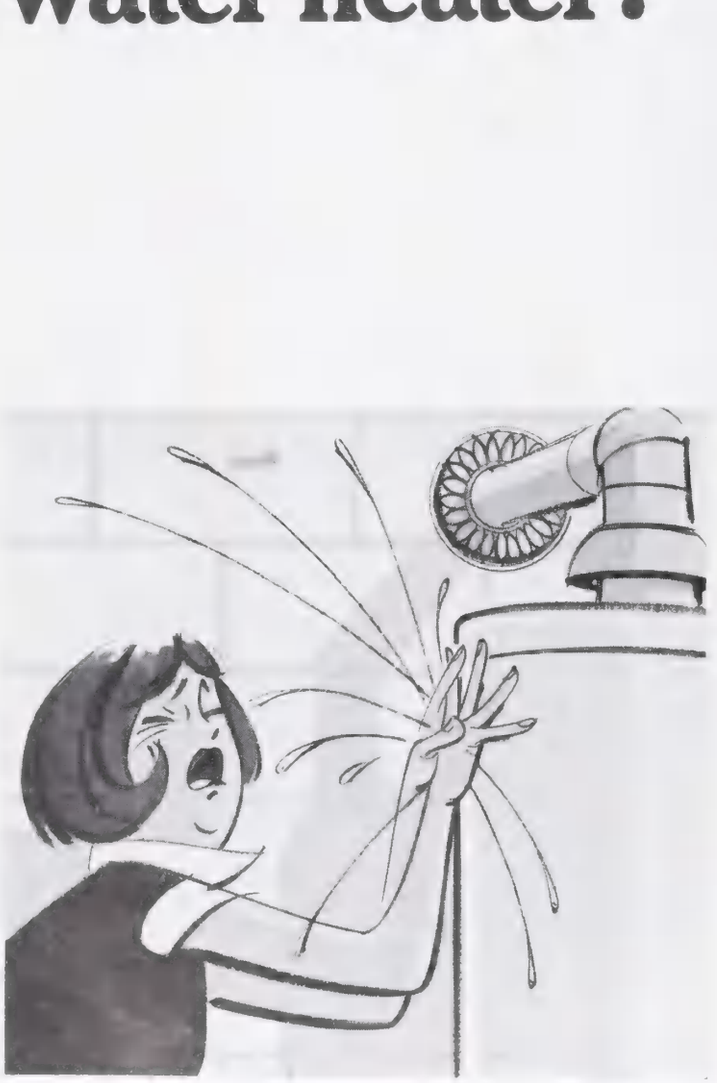
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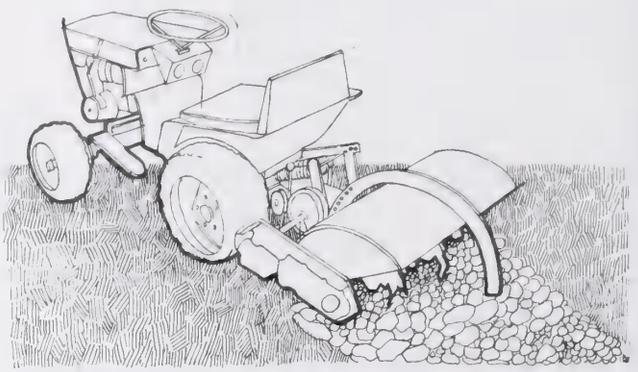
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steering provides better control.

Bolens' 775 tractor with 7-hp engine, hydrostatic transmission, electric start, and parking brake, will power a wide range of attachments, including a 32-inch rotary mower.

Bush-Hog's compact tractor has consoles that enclose the seat on either side: the left console arm swings back for mounting the machine; when dismounting, swinging the arm out of position automatically cuts off the ignition.

Case tractors in 10- and 12-hp sizes feature Hydra-Static drive, separate hydraulic cooling system, fingertip speed control, and constant power to attachments at any ground speed. Rotary-mower attachments are available in 38- and 44-inch sizes. Other equipment includes power sprayer, cyclone seeder, lawn roller, vacuum, sweeper, spiker-aerator, fogger, tiller, trailer, generator, and all-weather cab.

The Ford Blue line of lawn and garden tractors includes 7-, 8-, 10-, and 12-hp units with over fifty attachments available. The 12-hp model takes a rotary mower up to 48 inches wide. The 7-hp tractor is recommended for lawn use with rotary mower, sweeper, or spreader; also for lightweight carting and snow removal.

Gibson's 775 Holiday tractor has a 7-hp engine to power the 34-inch floating deck mower. It is not designed for ground-engaging tools, but excellent with a snow-blower, hauling with a cart, and pulling a lawn spreader.

International Harvester's Cub Cadet 72, a 7-hp tractor with electric starting, has an adjustable-spring seat, fixed drawbar, front power takeoff clutch, and a combination clutch-brake pedal. The 12-hp model 125 includes electric starting and hydrostatic drive, plus availability of such equipment as a canvas cab, hydraulic lift, and gang reels up to 132 inches wide.

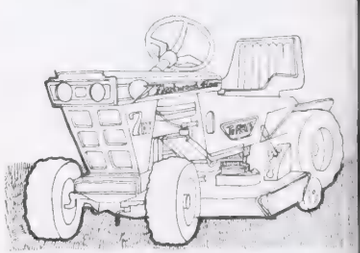
Jacobsen's LT 750 has the look of a big tractor, yet it is a 7-hp with electric starting. It features a four-speed transmission, parking brake, fuel gauge, fixed towing hitch, air-cushioned seat with back rest, and fenders. The full floating front axle gives stability and a smoother ride.

Massey-Ferguson's model 10 has a 10-hp air-cooled engine with a stick-shift, variable speed drive. With a 42-inch rotary mower it will trim an acre of lawn in an hour. A 12V-ignition system and the engine's automatic-compression release make cold-weather starts easy.

Poloron's Fleetwood 7-hp tractor with a 40-inch floating-deck rotary mower unit has a unique feature: It is fully undercoated with Teflon which gives the smoothest grass ejection possible and eliminates the need to wash and scrape the underside of the deck. Standard equipment includes a 12-volt battery-operated starter, headlights, cigarette lighter, tote box, and key ignition.

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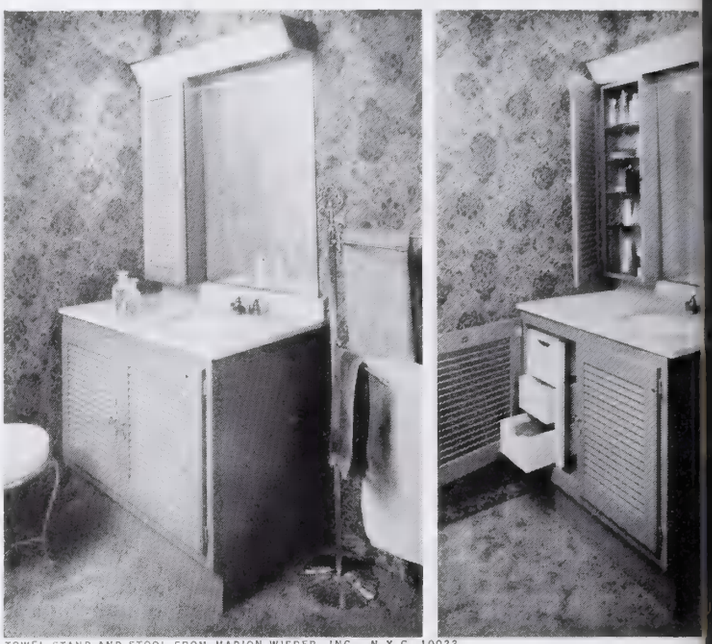
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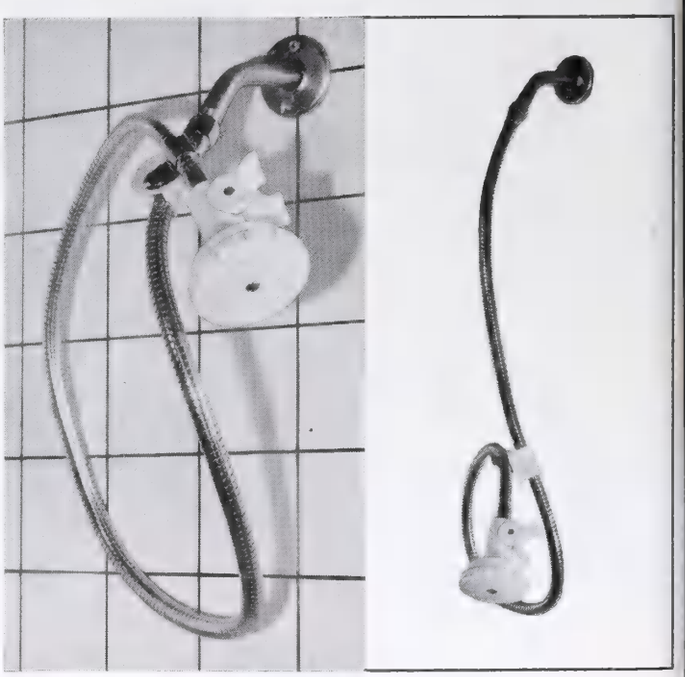
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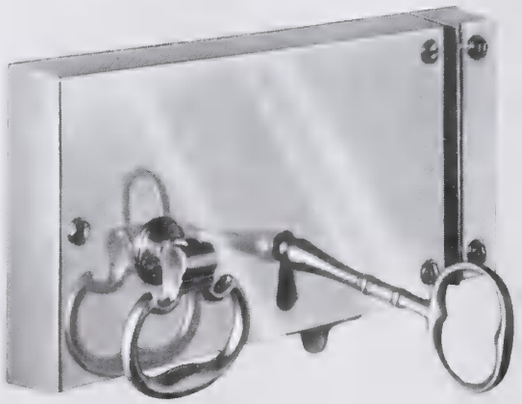
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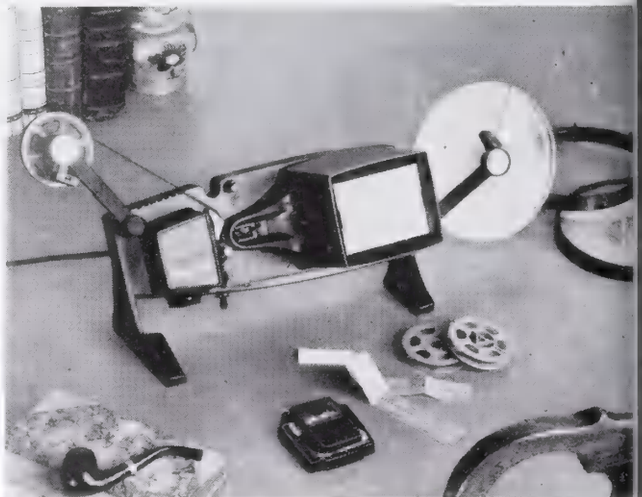


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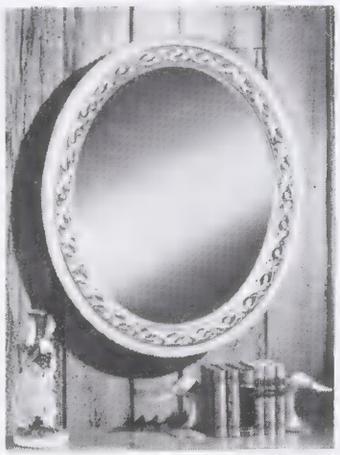
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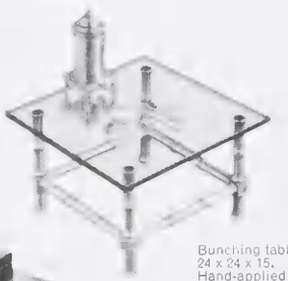
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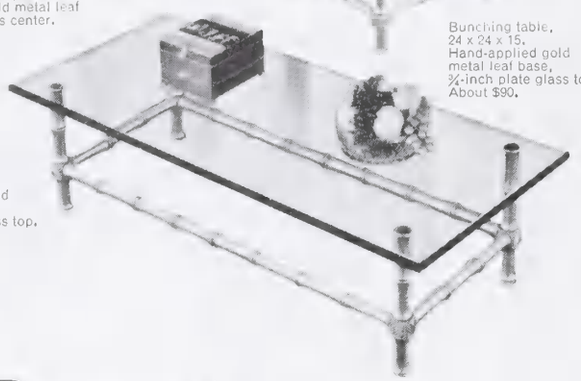


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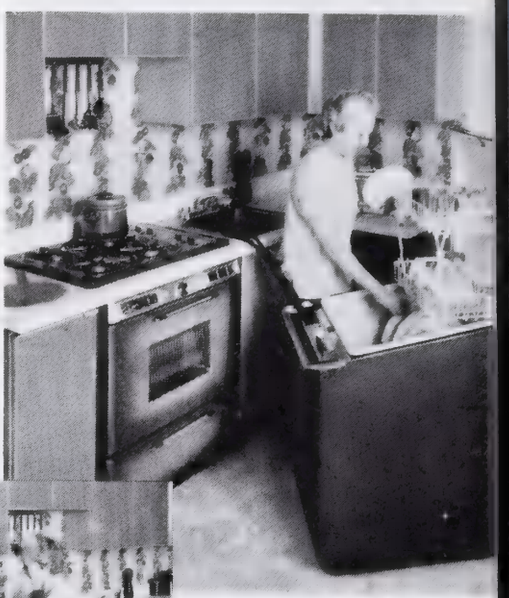
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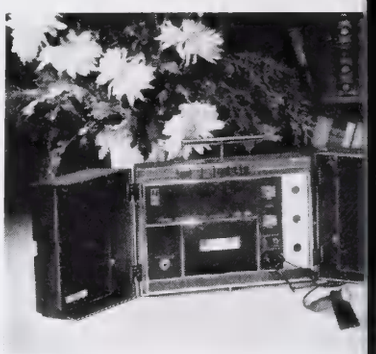




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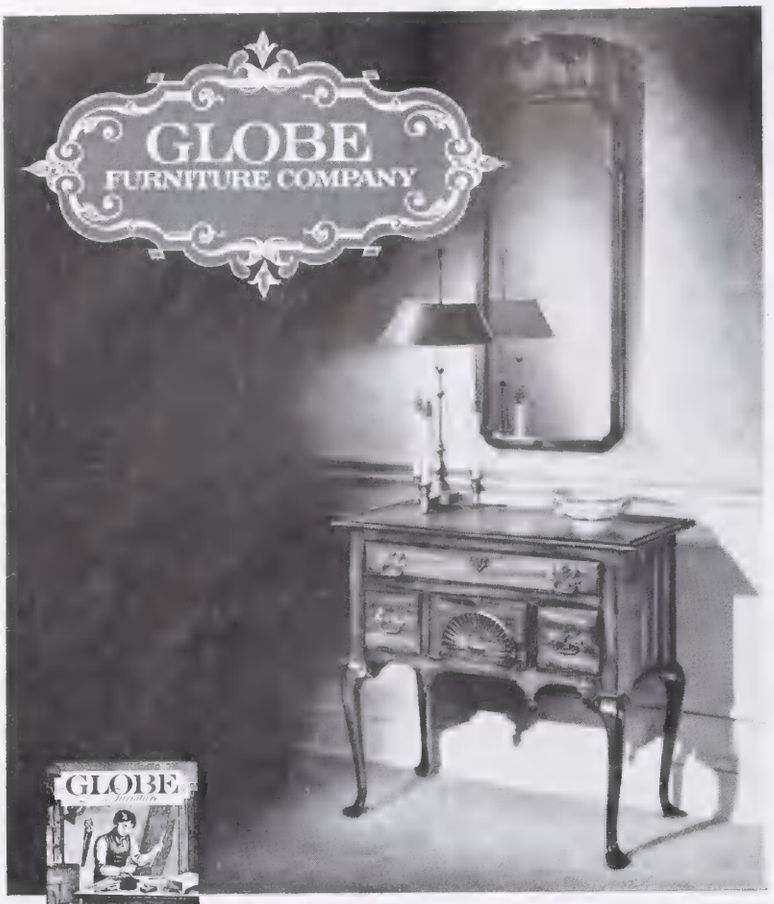


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By Elizabeth McClelland

How to care for paintings

A word to the wise art owner: what to do and what not to do

Good intentions, misinformation, and home remedies are the sworn enemies of paintings. Soap and water, breadcrumbs, oil rubdowns, and touches of varnish are deadly and should not be attempted without expert advice. Pay no attention to neighbors' and friends' suggestions unless they happen to be restorers.

If you are already a proud possessor, or intend to be, it is wise to develop a hands-off policy until you have a proper diagnosis. A painting in extremely poor condition is not worth costly restoration. Unless you own a work equivalent in value to a museum masterpiece, you would be better off putting the money toward a less dilapidated work of art. It takes a great deal of time to rejuvenate a painting that is falling off its canvas.

Caveat emptor

Before you part with your cash for a painting you really covet, examine it carefully. If it appears to be in bad shape, consult a reliable restoration studio before making your decision. Or, if you are on the prowl at auctions and galleries, talk first to your friendly neighborhood restorer. He will give you valuable information to use as a guide in buying, and also an idea of the costs of certain repairs. Your local museum or art center can help to recommend a conservation studio.

For the paintings you already have, we urge gentle treatment. Handle them carefully; don't move them around unnecessarily. One of the most amusing TV scenes of the year showed an "art dealer" flapping a valuable very old canvas around as th it were a nylon stocking wi run. Had it been a genuine of art, he would have been cused of being completely m

Never force a painting in frame that doesn't fit. When frame is only slightly tight, it usually be carved out to ease proper size. A frame that is large may require slices of or sponge. An adhesive sp tape works beautifully, and k the painting in place. Never mer the stretcher bars to frame with nails. Brass men plates, screwed on four side frame and stretcher, allow easy removal and save the p ing from being jarred.

Of course, a well-air-co tioned room is ideal for works of art. However, a lo paintings have made it d through the centuries in a m less comfortable environmen is wise to avoid extremes of perature. Naturally, radiators direct sunlight are taboo. careful with your lighting. often-used frame lights can c damage to paint film.

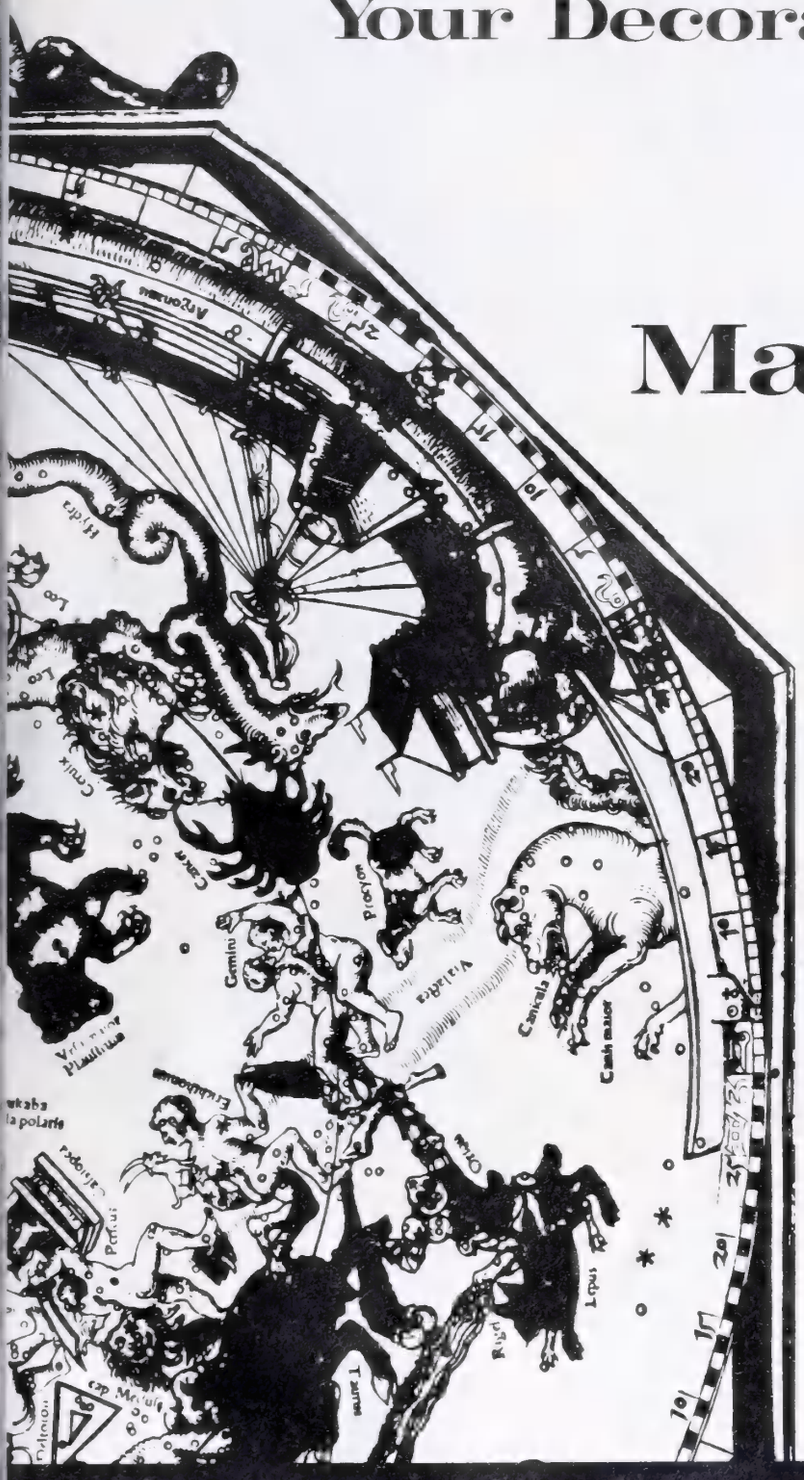
If the painting is to be sto see that nothing touches the face. Store it upright, so that canvas does not sag against bars. If you must dust, use a feather duster lightly.

A certain amount of mellow over the years enhances a pa ing. Anyone wanting an old pa ing to look like new is asking measures much too drastic for good. Paintings have someth in common with people—b thrive on gentle, loving care.



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Spectacularly on the rise, interest in astrology, the ancient belief that star power influences temperaments, tastes. Running a small poll on how closely décor preferences relate to one's birth sign, we asked a dozen notable women, one in each sign of the zodiac, to tell us her likes in life-style, in color and mood, texture and period, for décor. In this special supplement, the answers—suggesting that your instinctive responses are matched to, supported by, the bright magic of the stars' influences.

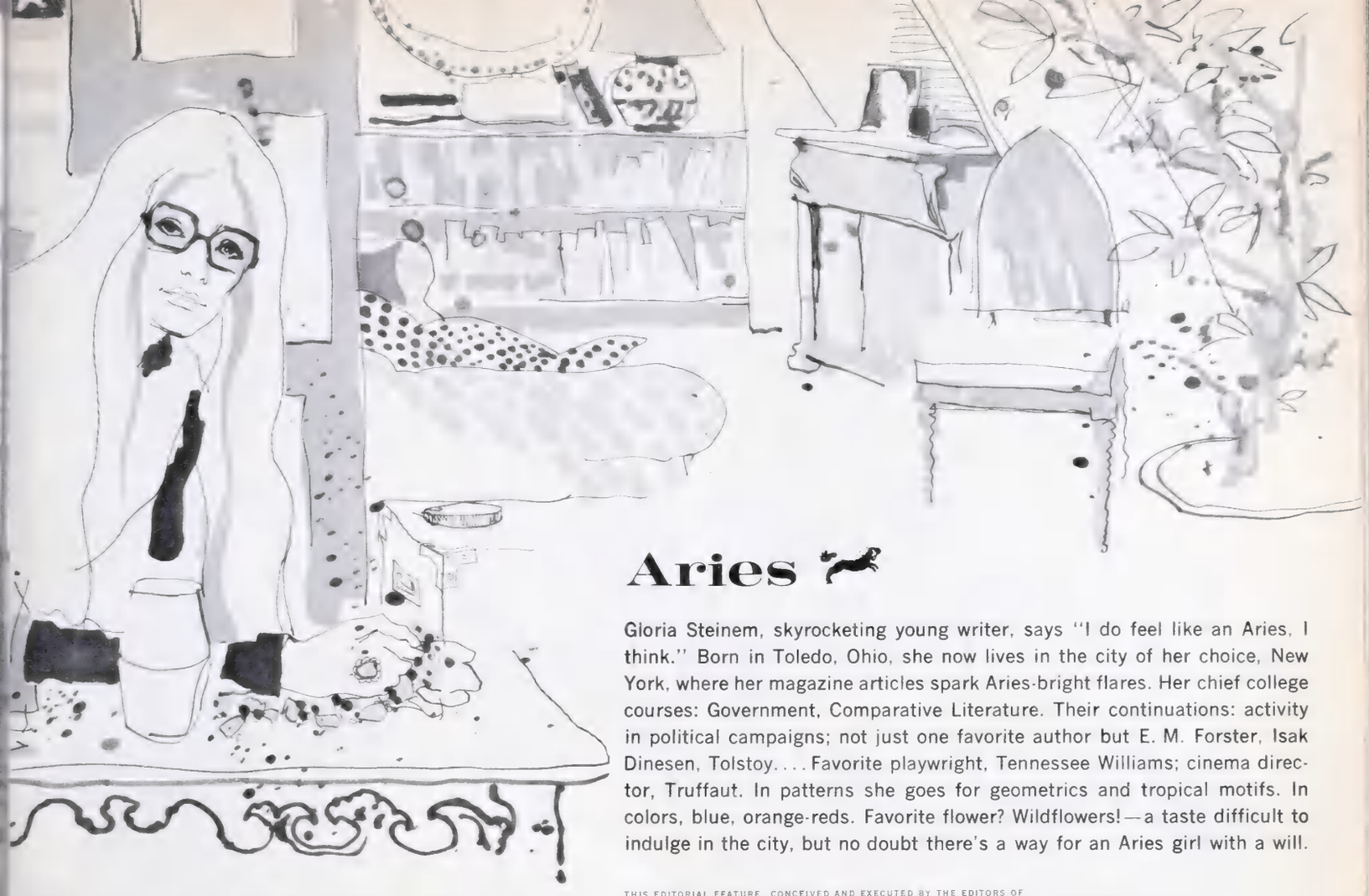
Of Planets and Personalities

By XAVORA POVÉ

Astrologer Xavora Pové, whose "Eye on the Sky" is a popular monthly feature in Harper's Bazaar, here divulges certain significant relationships between the birth signs and their expressions in planning decor.

Antiques. Objects emblematic of royalty suit proud Leo. Heirlooms are most cherished by Cancerians. Baroque pieces for Capricorn, and paintings sure to rise in value. Rich treasures satisfy the Taurian love of luxury. Travel curios make Gemini's conversation pieces. For Scorpio, exotic paintings. ★ Mirrors. Virgos loathe being seen at less than their best, need strategically placed mirrors for frequent critical appraisal. For the Piscean, the subtle reflections given by smoky or semi-pellucid mirrors. ★ Portraits of one's self. Most Librans are so lovely they should have their portraits painted. Portraits of Pisceans ought to be impressionistic. An Aquarian's portrait should be commissioned by someone else. Leo would have a self-portrait, prominently displayed. ★ Lighting. Candles, indirect lighting for Pisceans. Orbicular lights for the Leo; one room bathed in noontime sun. ★ Growing Plants. Sagittarians shouldn't have unreal anything. Their live plant displays may vary from the look of an Irish lea to a near-jungle. Virgo might prefer the easier care of artificial plants, exquisite ones. The Taurian needs a garden spot, live, even in an apartment. All persons born in air or water signs need growing plants about, in cool well-ventilated areas. ★ Decorated Ceilings. These have extra significance for the Aquarian, the Water-Bearer, whose symbol is the pitcher, open to that from above; for the Piscean, whose psychic, artistic, interpretive genius comes from the highest sources. ★ The Diamond Idea. A basically monochrome room, enlivened by quick touches of all the colors that flash from a diamond's facets. For Aries, white; for Leo, yellow; for Scorpio, black to begin with. All showing the full spectrum in accessories. ★ Special Needs. The Aquarian needs a retreat, a meditation room, an expression of the asymmetrical, abstract. Virgo must have the most efficient, well-organized clothes closets. Self-contained Scorpio's impulse to conceal requires hiding places—a wall safe, secret desk drawers. For Pisceans: music everywhere; glass walls, but with beautiful flowing fabrics to veil them in deepest mystery.

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Aries

Gloria Steinem, skyrocketing young writer, says "I do feel like an Aries, I think." Born in Toledo, Ohio, she now lives in the city of her choice, New York, where her magazine articles spark Aries-bright flares. Her chief college courses: Government, Comparative Literature. Their continuations: activity in political campaigns; not just one favorite author but E. M. Forster, Isak Dinesen, Tolstoy. . . . Favorite playwright, Tennessee Williams; cinema director, Truffaut. In patterns she goes for geometrics and tropical motifs. In colors, blue, orange-reds. Favorite flower? Wildflowers!—a taste difficult to indulge in the city, but no doubt there's a way for an Aries girl with a will.

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Taurus

Cheray Duchin, a lovely young Taurian, and her husband, orchestra leader Peter Duchin, live, with their young son and baby daughter, in a remodeled Manhattan townhouse. Its interior decoration planned by Mrs. Duchin, who likes bright colors, lots of pattern, blended periods, big rugs almost wall to wall, pre-Columbian art. She cooks, as does her husband. Enjoys tennis, hunting, riding, fishing. Relaxes with books, needlepoint. She's a jazz fan, has a taste for avant-garde theatre, musicals, serious art films. Her hobby, photography. She has a Taurian delight in spring flowers, in getting away from the city—to southern islands, Newfoundland, Norway. . . . Dreams of going up the Amazon.



Gemini

Margot Hahn, a Gemini born in Baltimore, lives now, with her husband and three children, in a "country house in the city," in the nation's capitol. There she and her husband, Gilbert Hahn Jr., both contribute to the city interests. He is Republican Party chairman for the District of Columbia. She engages in social-charitable activities, has served as head of the Symphony Ball. In their "country house," white walls, lively colors, wall-to-wall carpeting. In some fields a Gemini variety of tastes. She likes all kinds of art, pop to classical; all theater, Shakespeare to Happenings; all cinema except "spear and sandal" types. She collects diversely: art; 19th-century American gadgets.

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Leo

Geraldine Stutz, a Chicago-born Leo, is fulfilling the golden promise of her birth sign by her notable career, first as a fashion writer, now as president of Henri Bendel. She and her husband, David Gibbs, have a Manhattan apartment, a Connecticut country house, fleeing both for Caribbean holidays. In décor, wherever, she likes colors warm, area rugs and fabrics patterned, lighting well thought out. She swims, gardens, loves best anemones, English garden mixtures—nothing stiff. Other loves: jazz, ballet, theatre, art (except pop and op), cinema—Fellini her favorite director. She collects books, records, and collective nouns—example pertinent here, "a pride of lions."

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Virgo

Ann Jennings, young Atlanta socialite, has Virgo for her birth sign, an indication that she is well-organized, discriminating, deft, and clearheaded. She must be, for she manages a household, cooks, entertains, sews, designs needlepoint, is a volunteer teacher — Junior Great Books course. She and her husband, Comer Jennings, and their two children live in a Tudor-style country house where subdued colors, monotone rugs, background the family's lively Today tempo. Definitely selective, she likes new-wave cinema, the impressionists, opera, and rock, collects shells and fabrics. Her favorite writer, Lawrence Durrell. Her favorite sport, skiing at Sun Valley and at Vail.

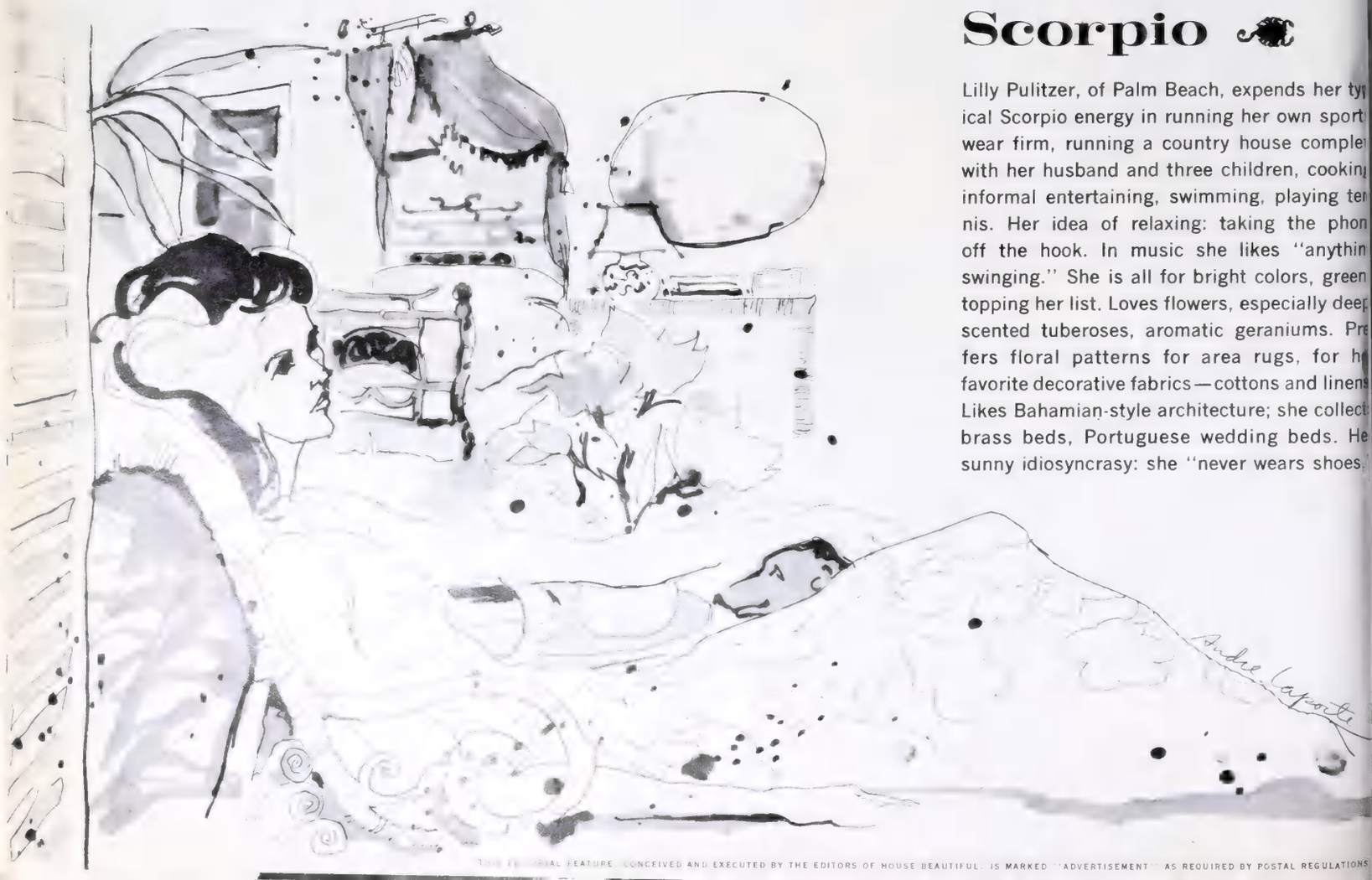
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Libra

Barbara Howar, spirited hostess of "Pa
rama" interview program, was born in Ralei
North Carolina, under the sign of Libra,
Scales, which makes for alertness, sympat
perfect poise. Her favorite city, Washingt
where she lives in her old Victorian townhou
She was her own interior decorator, the st
"pure eclectic." She prefers solid colors
carpets and fabrics in major rooms, anir
prints for powder rooms, clothes closets. Li
bright tones, shiny surfaces, plus furs. D
her own cooking; finds it relaxing. Enjoys
theatre and art "if good." Is a "now" girl
collects 18th-century French seals. Wri
magazine articles and is at work on a bo



Scorpio

Lilly Pulitzer, of Palm Beach, expends her ty
ical Scorpio energy in running her own sport
wear firm, running a country house comple
with her husband and three children, cookin
informal entertaining, swimming, playing te
nis. Her idea of relaxing: taking the phon
off the hook. In music she likes "anythin
swinging." She is all for bright colors, green
topping her list. Loves flowers, especially deep
scented tuberoses, aromatic geraniums. Pr
fers floral patterns for area rugs, for h
favorite decorative fabrics—cottons and linen
Likes Bahamian-style architecture; she collect
brass beds, Portuguese wedding beds. He
sunny idiosyncrasy: she "never wears shoes."

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Sagittarius

Dina Merrill, Sagittarian, has a life of lively contrasts: her career as an actress; home life with her husband, Actor Cliff Robertson, and four children. She is a board member of the Vivian Beaumont Theatre, active, too, in the NYC Mission Society. Her Manhattan apartment, a smiling mélange of antiques, the new. She likes modern art, primitive art, fabric-covered walls, vivid colors, especially blue. Collects shells, shell-decorated antique china. True to her travel- and sports-loving sign, she enjoys skiing, snorkling in the Bahamas, golf at East Hampton, tennis anywhere. She says: "I like to hunt frogs, catch them, and cook frog's legs." Her favorite restaurant, La Grenouille.

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Capricorn

Nancy Dickerson, NBC news correspond
whose good looks and agreeably authorita
voice are familiar to TV audiences, was b
in Milwaukee under an ambitious diplom
sign, Capricorn. The regard for tradition
for antiques characteristic of Capricorn is
emplified in the Georgian estate, just on
outskirts of Washington, where she and
husband and their five children live. The 18
century décor, lots of comfortable down so
were planned mostly by Mrs. Dickerson.
keeping, her collection of 18th-century p
traits of children. She prefers solid colo
bright or muted. Likes piano recitals, theat
historical novels. Plays tennis. Enjoys tra

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Aquarius

Letitia Baldrige, brightly successful in varied careers, in private life. Born in Miami Beach. Social secretary in Paris and Rome embassies, in the White House. Public relations director of Tiffany's. Now married, the mother of two, she lives in Chicago, heads her own PR firm, does her own cooking. Wrote *Of Diamonds and Diplomats;* active in many Chicago charities. Her favorite colors: "Pale blue with yellow and white, Chinese red with black or gray." Likes geometric patterns. Away-from-it-all moments, essential to Aquarians, spent with an electric vibrator on neck and shoulder muscles. Another escape, movies, but only those "where everyone is rich and stylish and the ending is happy."





Pisces

Wendy Vanderbilt, gifted young daughter of Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, belongs in the romantic, idealistic, aspiring sign, Pisces. Self-taught, she draws, paints, sculpts, has had some of her work exhibited. Takes lots of photographs. Writes good "mad" letters-to-the-editor. Born in Los Angeles; now lives in a New York apartment, with a radio in every room. Likes nonstop music, Mozart to rock-and-roll; informal entertaining, by candlelight with rheostat lights low. Greens, oranges head her favorite colors. Other favorites: mirrors, tropical motifs. She collects paintings, admires Picasso, Matisse. . . . Plays Ping-Pong, pool, swims, ice-skates. Would have liked King Arthur's court.

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Bigelow styles for Zodiac Personalities.

Have you noticed that you feel more comfortable with the color yellow, that emeralds have always had a strange attraction for you—that Chippendale is lovely, but not in your home?

Perhaps these unexplainable preferences were determined by the position of the stars on the day you were born. According to astrology, we're born with certain predispositions—for emotional and intellectual patterns—certain colors, textures, gems and metals. That's why when a woman decorates her own home, it's often a clear reflection of her personality, according to the Zodiac.

Since most decorators would agree that decorating begins with carpet, Bigelow, in the next pages, would like to show you how your stars will influence your choice of carpet... the first big step in building the emotional home.





oman born under the sign of the Pioneer is impulsive, ive and enthusiastic. She is ruled by Mars, a cardinal sign. Aries' energetic personality is excited by strong, ful colors. Her patterns are clear and uncompromising, obvious here in Bigelow's Glenripple, a multi-colored tweed, dominated by rich red, Aries' zodiac color. Loomed with 100% Bigelow Approved acrylic, Acrilan® pile, the fiber indomitable enough to match the indomitable Aries' personality.

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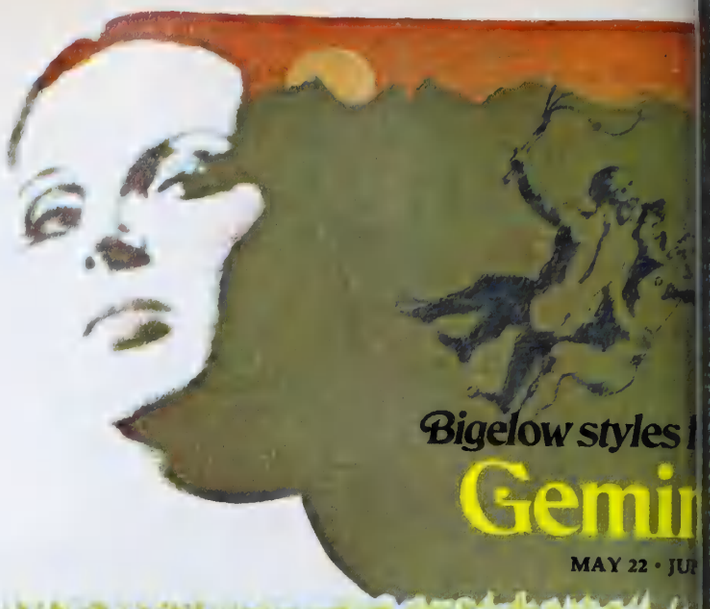
Bigelow styles for Taurus

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The woman born under the fixed earthy sign of Taurus is persevering, systematic and musical. Her ruler is Venus, but her feet are firmly on the ground. Taurus culture lends a lyrical, earthy quality and she is excited by rich textures. Born under the sign of the Builder or Producer, she might choose one of these carpets to build a room around. All beautifully workable is her earth-bound nature.

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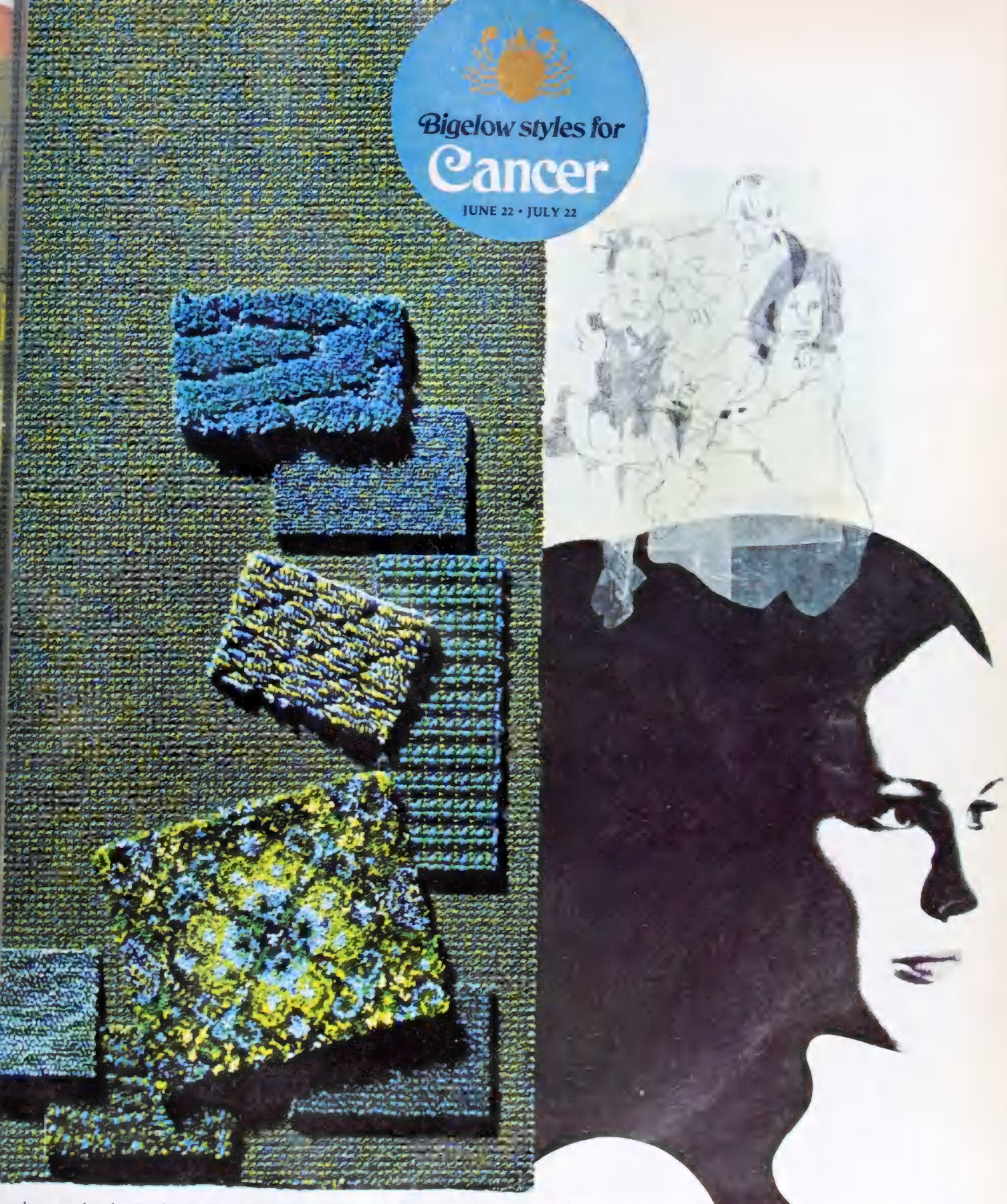


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The woman born under the sign of the artist or inventor is clever, versatile, and restless. She exults in the fashion of the moment an never hesitates to choose a carpet such as a wildly fashionable shag in candle-glow yellow tones. No matter what her mood, Gemini always feels right in yellow, whether it's pale and cool or hot and s



an born under the Cardinal watery sign of Cancer is motherly, and both changeable and tenacious
e time. Cancer, the Moon-Child, is easily influenced when making up her mind. Bigelow's multi-toned
pets give her thinking room. But once her mind is made up, she holds fast and lives with her decision.
pet styles are beautifully reminiscent of the color depths
ter sign and at the same time reflect her gem...moss agate.

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The woman born under the fiery sign of Leo is proud, generous and vital.
She is at home in soft, velvety fabrics such as this lush Bigelow.
Regal Red best reflects her vitality and indicates the leader that she is.
An authoritative type, Leo will lean toward crisp greens and blues. She'll choose them in Deaufield, and insist on 100% Bigelow approved acrylic Acrilan® pile.

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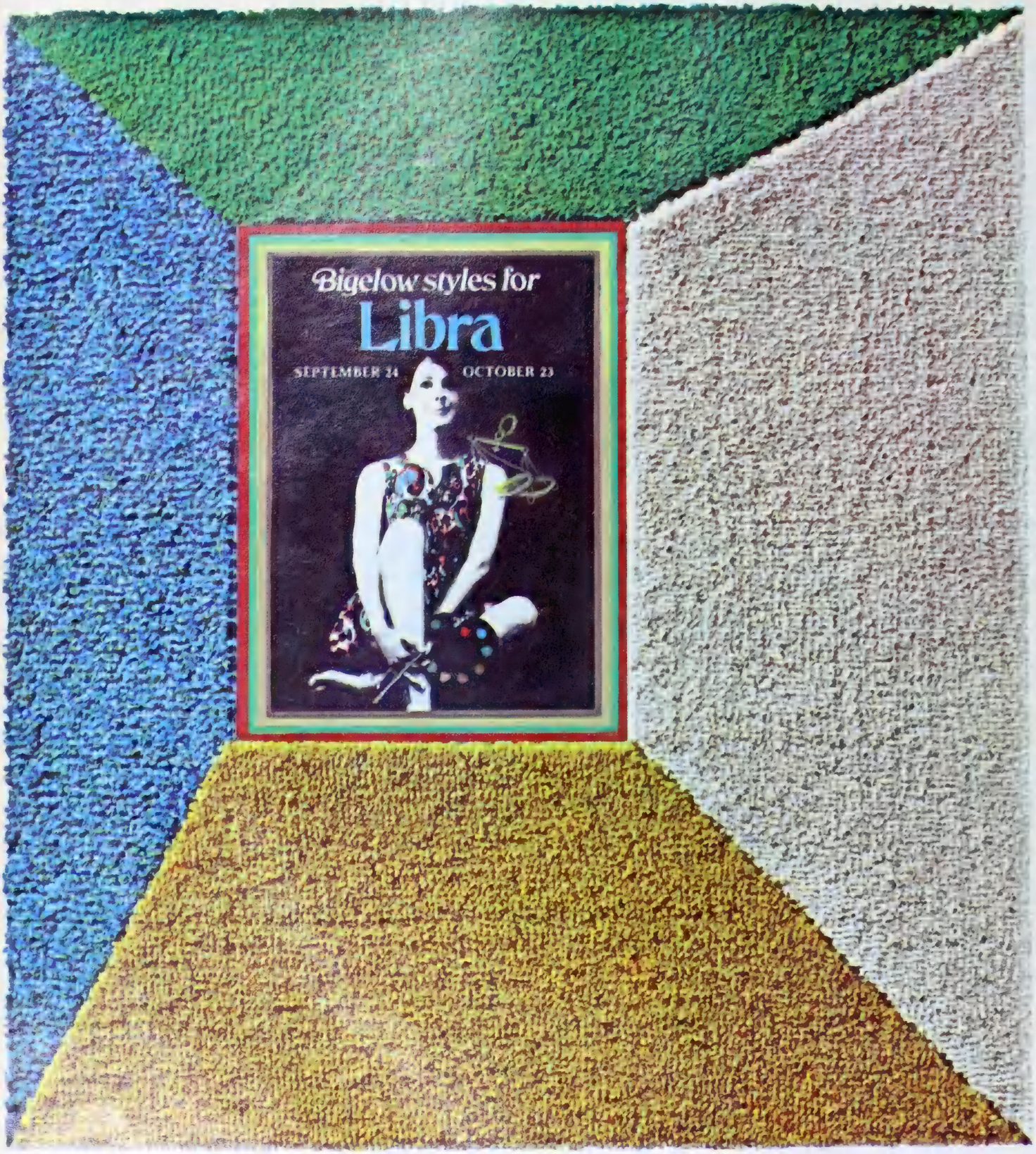
Bigelow styles for Virgo

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Discriminating, chaste and thrifty is the woman born under the sign of the Virgin. Her intelligent nature gravitates to cool blue greens, shown here in a variety of textures from Bigelow. Adaptive tweeds offer great possibilities if she decides to redecorate, when her ruling sign Mercury takes hold. Since Virgo is skilled at handi-crafts she can redecorate to suit her thrifty nature. She feels more comfortable with long-wearing Warfield, with 100% Bigelow approved acrylic Acrilan® pile.

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The woman born under the airy sign of Libra is artistic, affectionate, sympathetic and fairminded. Pure, clear colors will appeal most to her artistic taste gratified here by Temple Gold, Emerald and Martini in Bigelow's Acclaim carpets. But her sense of balance may dictate the practicality of Bigelow's Seabright carpet in Neptune Tweed. And because of her warm nature, she'll be at ease with deep fabrics of Bigelow approved acrylic Acrilan® pile.

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Bigelow styles for

Scorpio

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The woman born under the watery sign of Scorpio is a noticeably energetic one. She's also passionate and independent. She'll be most at home with vibrant reds like Bigelow's Groville carpet in red tweed. But the Scorpion has her sensuous side to be sure, and it's not unusual to find her amidst soft, lavish fabrics like Bigelow's High Meadow in Lime. A person of strong likes and dislikes, the Scorpio will be sure to specify 100% Bigelow approved acrylic Acrilan® pile.

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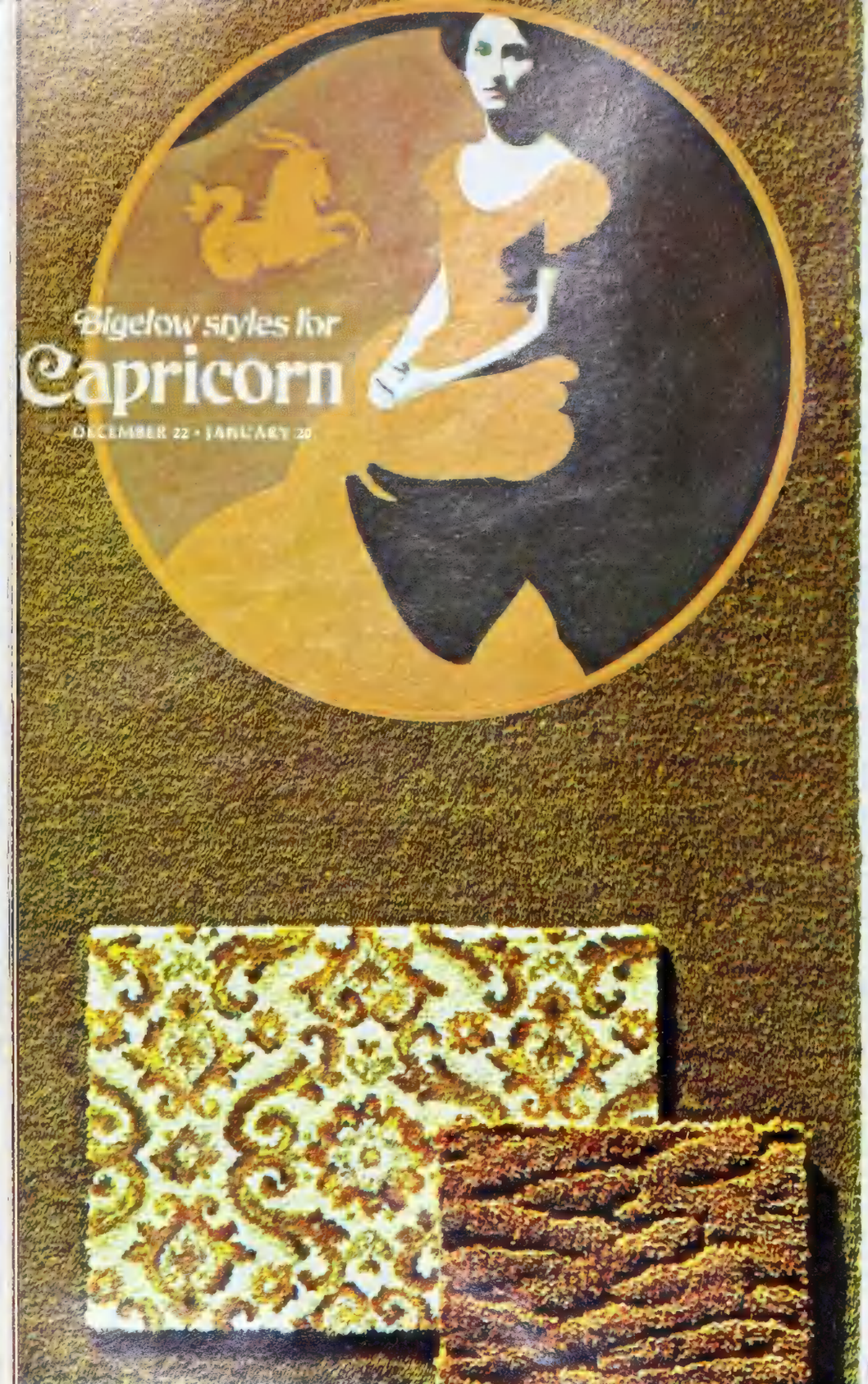
The woman born under the mutable fiery sign of the
is a nature lover first, but impulsive, restless and war
hearted qualities will also be evident. Given a chance
will surround herself with warm, mellow colors of fa



h Tile carpet in Bigelow's High Meadow. Her preferences in textures vary from ›ish, like Bigelow's High Meadow in Roman Brass to casual, nubbly tweeds, ·abright tweed in Antique Gold. When she comes in from outdoors, she ·iates the soil-resistant qualities of 100% Bigelow approved acrylic Acrilan® pile.

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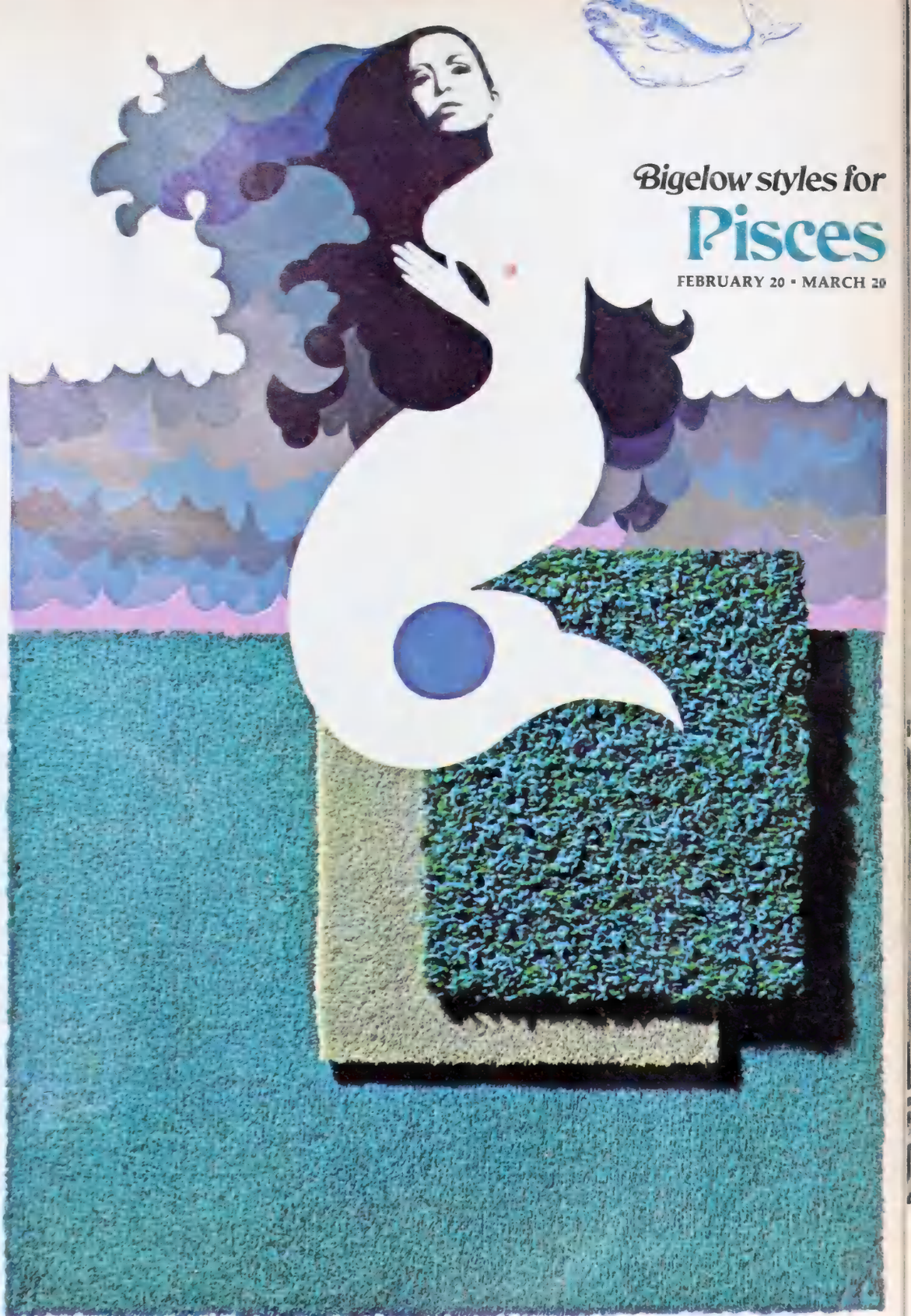
styles for Zodiac Personalities.



The woman born under the earthy sign of Capricorn is reserved, diplomatic, social and traditional. The elegance and depth of velvety fabrics and colors, such as Golden Bronze, are often found in the vicinity of a Capricorn. Though her traditional outlook may lead her toward the more ornate, she'll always prefer the downy luxury of carpets as shown here.

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The woman born under the sign of the Poet is gentle, sensitive and retiring. Because her ruler is Neptune, she's happiest on the sea. At home, she brings the soothing quality of the sea indoors. Her color choices always reflect the infinite subtleties of the sea and her own deeply interpretive mind.

The woman born under the airy sign of the Water-Bearer is unco
idealistic and intellectual. Unusual colors and textures will be her
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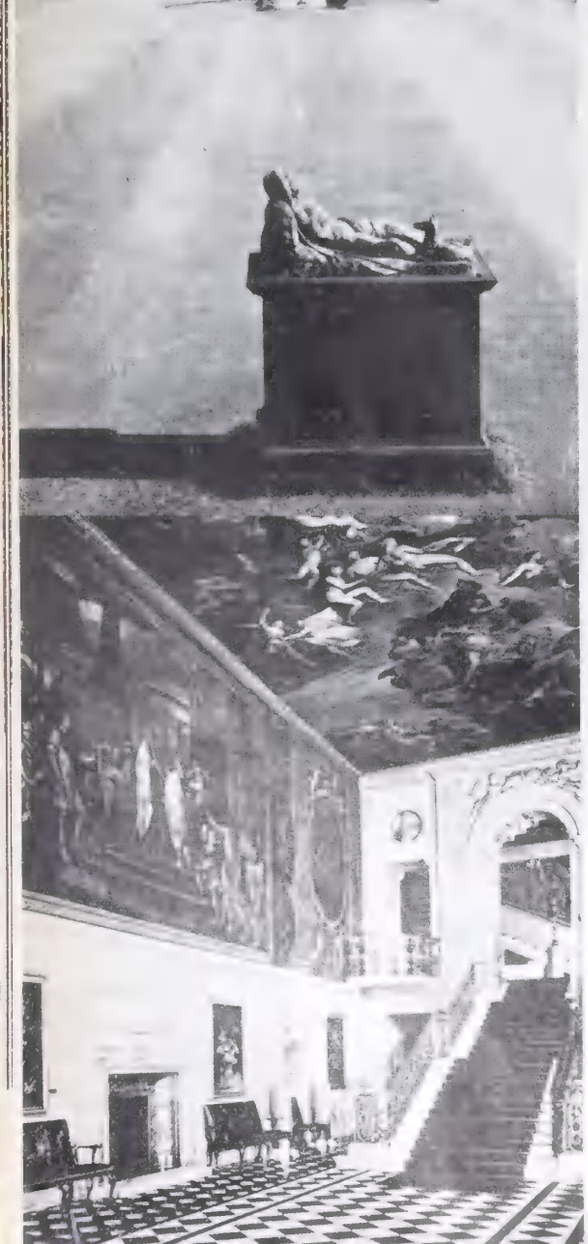


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TRAVEL

EDITOR: MARION GOUGH

The cry of the peacock

About great houses of England, venerable dwellings trailing clouds of glory—still very much alive because they are lived in. A report on a study course during which they open their doors and share their treasures

By FERRIS MEGARITY

For three weeks last July I awoke every morning to the cry of the peacock, that most raucous, most imperious of birds, and an omnipresent symbol of grandeur on England's stateliest lawns. There was a vast Edwardian bathtub for the matutinal soak, and next to it an uncurtained window providing a view of deer park, grazing cattle, and misty morning countryside. How easy to imagine myself the lord of the manor, surveying his demesne—until the splashings in the next bathing compartment reminded me who I really was.

I was a student, one of about 40, living in semicommunal, boarding-school style in an eighteenth-century mansion called Attingham, in Shropshire. The occasion, the inimitable study course conducted each year by Britain's National Trust Summer School for a limited number of those seriously interested in English architecture and the English Country House. This is a priceless opportunity to visit and study upwards of 30 great houses in rural England, to talk with their owners, and to experience their architecture and furnishings as they were intended to be enjoyed—within the context of daily living. To take tea under an Angelica Kauffmann ceiling, to sit in a William Kent chair, to examine a piece of Augustus Rex Meissen with one's own hands is to feel the reality of the precious past as it can never quite come across in an impersonal unlived-in museum.

The course is a movable feast, appropriately headquartering near Shrewsbury in neoclassical Attingham Park, home of Lady Berwick, whose husband bequeathed the house and its estate to the National Trust. Here, in rooms designed by George Steuart in 1785 or in the 1805 picture gallery by John Nash, the knowledgeable faculty of the Shropshire Adult College lectured us each morning on the houses we were to visit. Then off we would go by bus, into Derbyshire, Yorkshire, even into Wales, for a first-hand acquaintance with stately homes, their standards flying to indicate owners in residence.

Ours was a varied design menu, from the medievalism of Stokesay Castle, the oldest fortified house in Britain, to the Palladian clarity of Kedleston Hall, where Robert Adam left his classic mark on alabaster pillars, furniture, and hardware. Each day we were there brought its own adventure. We might, as we did at Elizabethan Ludstone Hall, enjoy a picnic lunch with the owners. *(Continued on page 188)*

Chatsworth Palace, Derbyshire, seat of Dukes of Devonshire, historic collectors of the world's great art, silver, and books. Capability Brown designed its parterred gardens; Verrio and Laguerre frescoed its painted halls.

THREE PHOTOGRAPHS FROM "GREAT HOUSES OF BRITAIN" BY NIGEL NICHOLSON (G. P. PUTNAM'S SONS). TOP, BY AIRVIEWS MANCHESTER, CENTER, BY EDWIN SMITH, BOTTOM, BY T.S. WRAGG.


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Lamplight beaming over a scrubbed table. Sunlight splashing the white paint of Maine farm buildings. Sunset filling transparent bathing pillows with fire on a Milanese pool. The cerise silken arms of a welcoming chair . . . or the frivolous crochetwork of a wicker porch chair. Or a stair pure as a paper curl in a new Georgetown house. Effects to stir the psyche. Raise pride, nostalgia, peace, enchantment—with some notes on the conjuring with light, color, texture, scale, and certain possessions. Gathered in these pages in the joyful expectation of bringing you a new perspective in architecture and decoration—*the view from the emotions. . . .*

Sarah Tomerlin Lee



The timeless farmhouse of Artist-Architect Patrick Scott, in the Irish countryside near Dublin, photographed for House Beautiful by Norman McGrath.





A MOOD OF SUNNY SUMMERS PAST

A lovely aura of honey in the comb, sweet grass, clover—the innocent peace of lemonade days when families clung closer together—emanations of old contentment lovingly caught in the vacation-house make-over of a Victorian farmstead in New England

Editors: RICHARD FITZGERALD *and* MARION GOUGH

An easy sense of quiet, reminder of a past, uncomplicated world

In Dark Harbor, Maine, this carpenter Gothic farmhouse and barn, slightly trimmed of gimcrack, cautiously renovated, its safe and sound rural homeliness preserved—now a vacation-house compound shared by Mrs. Henry Parish II and Mr. Albert Hadley, partners in the eminent decorating firm of Parish-Hadley. Mrs. Parish and her family summer in the farmhouse, celebrate Christmas and Thanksgiving there. Mr. Hadley has his holiday digs in the remodeled barn. And both partners use it for work weekends the year round. *More*

HOWARD GRAFF



A MOOD OF SUNNY SUMMERS PAST

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The smile of flower color,

the comfortable creak of wicker

This is the modest farmhouse, its modesty retained, its familiar this-is-homeness enhanced by the good cheer of color. Old-time woodwork was brightened, but not eclipsed, by white paint. In the guest bedroom, opposite: A relaxed mix of furnishings happily held together in a surprise color teaming of rusty zinnia with bluet blue. On the floor, Lauhala matting; on the wall, a watercolor portrait of the room itself. Farmhouse nostalgia in the guest bedroom, top left: A sloping ceiling, flower-sprigged walls, a hand-stitched quilt. Victoriana in the upstairs hall, top right: drugget carpeting, a pedestal tilt-table, and a dressy dog to hold umbrellas. The old parlor, center right, wears pink linen, pastel stripes, garden flowers, and a vista of front-porch gingerbread. Walls in the snug-dadoed sitting room, right, are fabric-covered in a documentary print that recalls the farmhouse calicoes of other days.

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In the barn: the old, the rural,

given an air of young urbanity

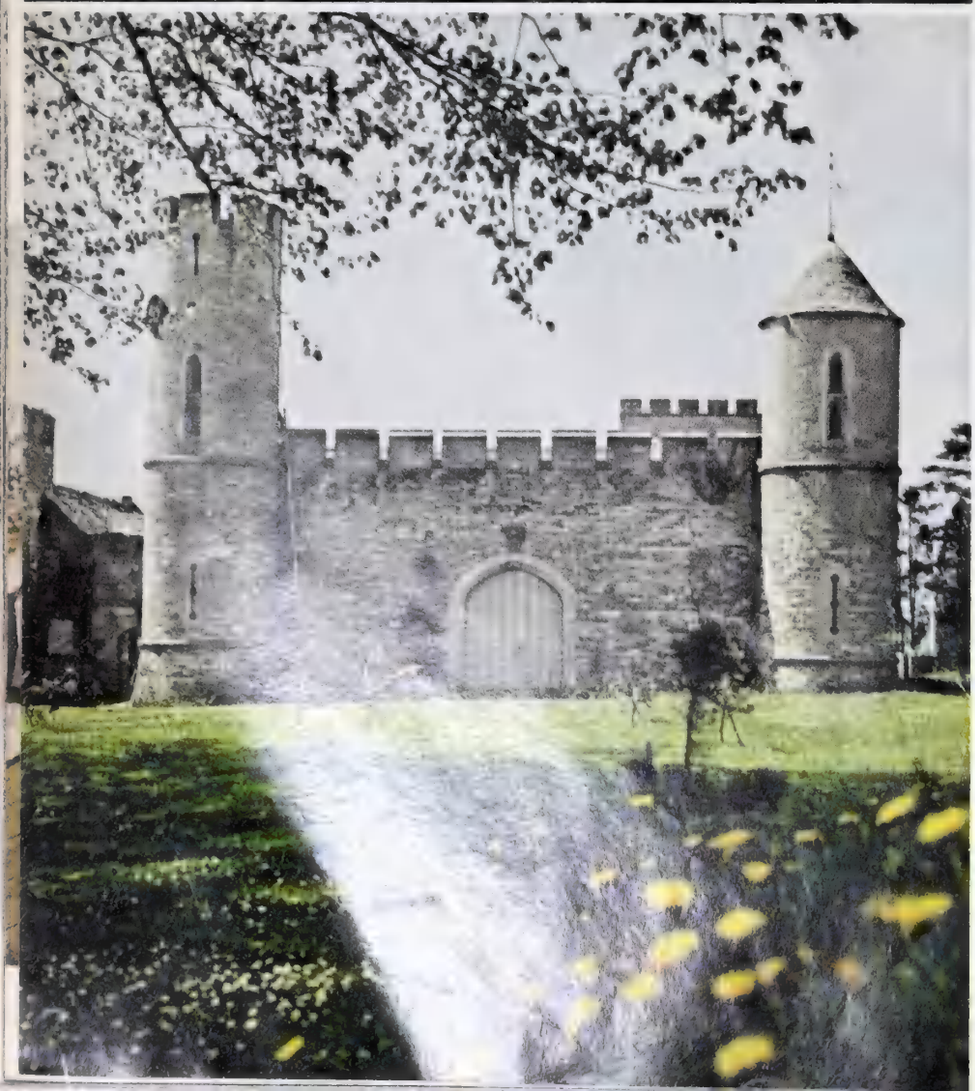
Mr. Hadley's vacation quarters spread spaciously across the hayloft of the old barn, a near-monochrome of off-whites and beiges, suddenly jabbed with blue and the tortoise-shell tawniness of wicker, basketry, and ocelot. Juxtaposed with furnishings of current design: 19th-century amusements, grapevine fantasy furniture chairs and a floridly carved deer's head, painted chalk white. Kitchen and bath are behind the shutter screen. Downstairs, the barn floor, below, is sitting room, workshop, and loom room for the experimental weaving of Parish-Hadley fabrics. Its comfortable gathering of old and new furnishings includes a white table, far left, designed in the twenties by Syrie Maugham.

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SURREAL GOTHIC SURPRISE

It's all right there, set in the English countryside near Stroud —the precipitous walls, the turrets, the Gothic windows. Medieval splendor in the sheer mass of formidable stone. But inside dwells, not the feudal baron of old, but Lynn Chadwick, the renowned contemporary sculptor. Not unlike a leading player from the Canterbury Tales, improvising a contemporary ballad set to rock, —a scene filled with delight for today.

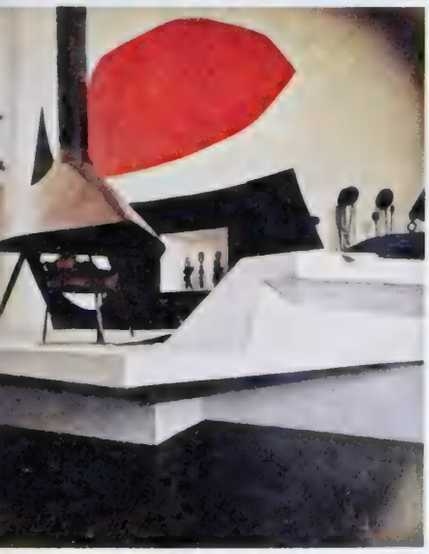
Inside the soaring rooms, the angular shapes of today

Behind the staunch battlements of Lypiatt . . . great halls alive with Lynn Chadwick's craggy sculptures, brooding shapes, some ghostly, some evoking Chaucerian pageantry. The entrance hall, top of page, right, a setting for a group of bronze creatures. The dining area, in an upper gallery near the playroom. Spatial experiments by owner Chadwick include the open hearth, at center, on a mosaic island with a cushioned well for lounging (not seen here). More intimate groupings of objects on tables, in windows, are among pleasures of this Gothic fantasy, circa 1820.

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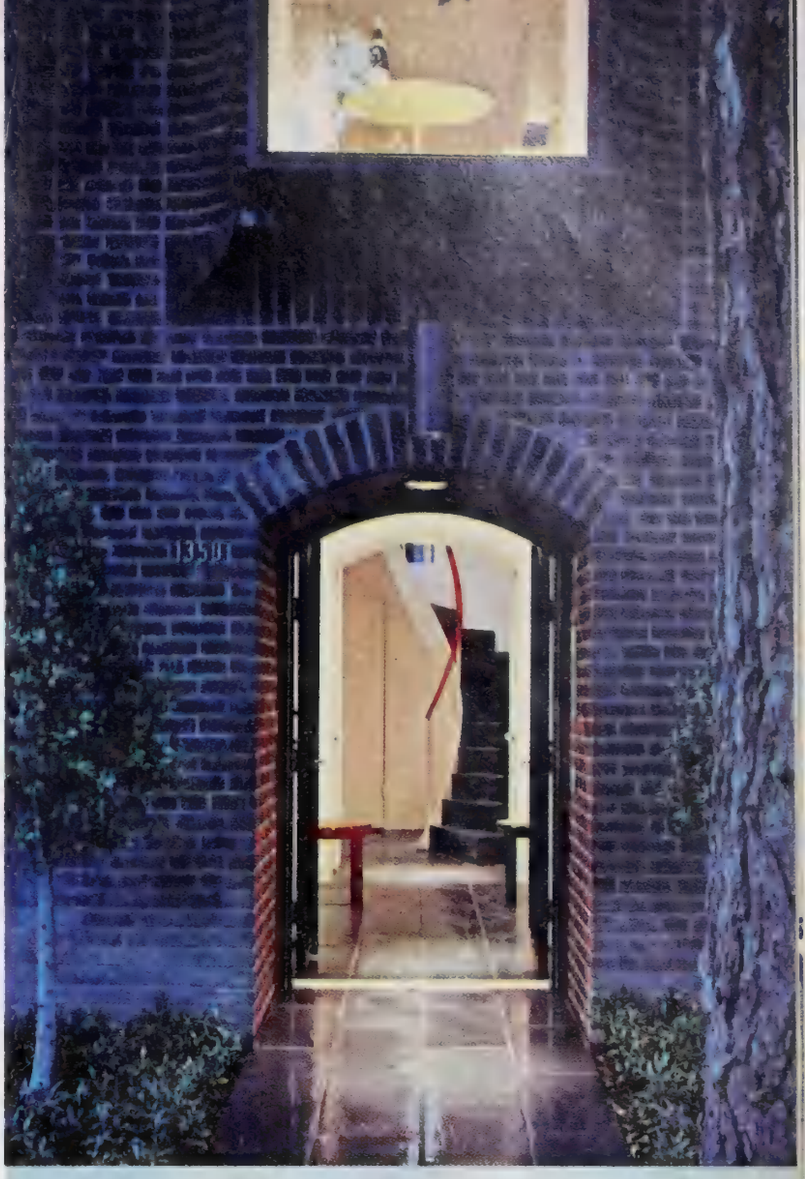




CONTEMPORARY HOUSE THAT MOVES THE EMOTIONS

The clean, perfect line of the windows. The crisp cuts of the brick. The light, the shadow. A statement for today. Yet achieved on a quiet Georgetown street in complete harmony with 18th-century neighbors. Behind this cool restraint, a drama of space and light created by Architect Hugh Newell Jacobsen on a hemmed-in site only 23½ feet wide. A lesson, perhaps, in the use of architecture to touch the senses.

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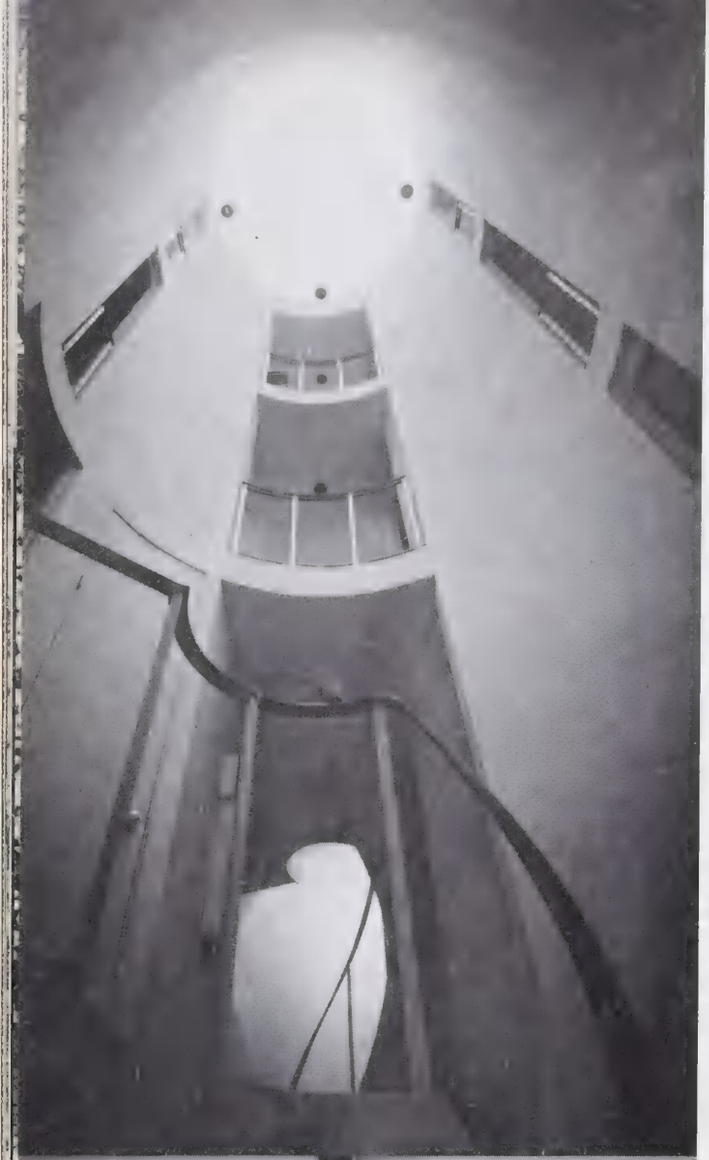




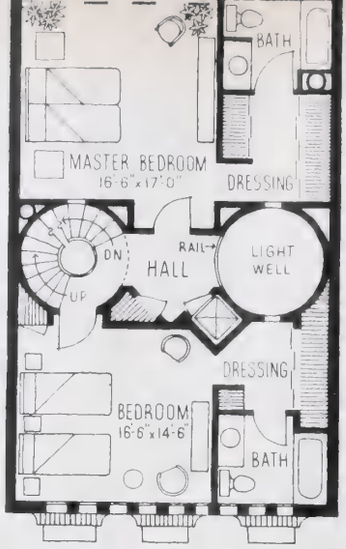
Amid the traditions of Georgetown, a compatible newcomer

The sleek new townhouse, left, replaced a 100-year-old frame structure. In history-conscious Georgetown, building permits required more than a year, and 125 signatures. To help him blend the new with the old, the architect built a model of the entire street. Now in perfect alignment—the roof line, the position of the windows. The unusual curved brick defining the glass bays, custom-designed for the job. Casements open at the sides of the bays. The roof pitches steeply in front; dormers at the rear, right, allow a third living floor. The terrace here is one flight up from the street, at the main living level. Above, the brick-vaulted entry, a slash of red handrail giving a glimpse of the visual excitement to come. *More*

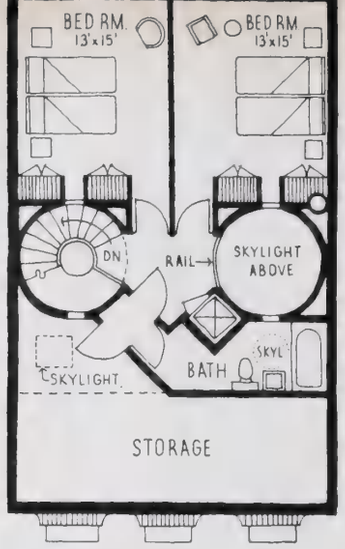
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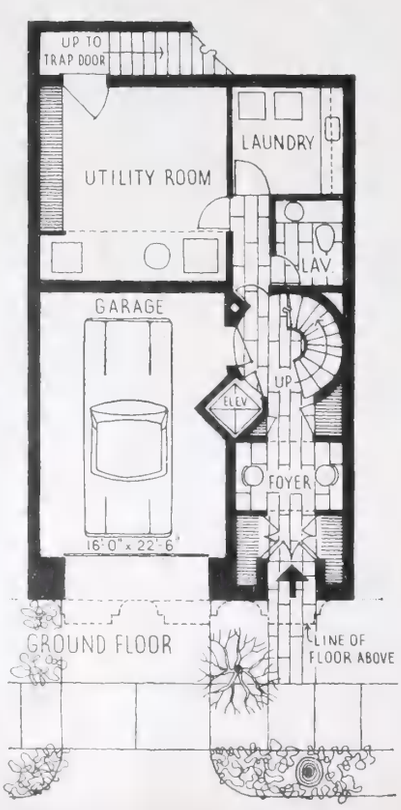
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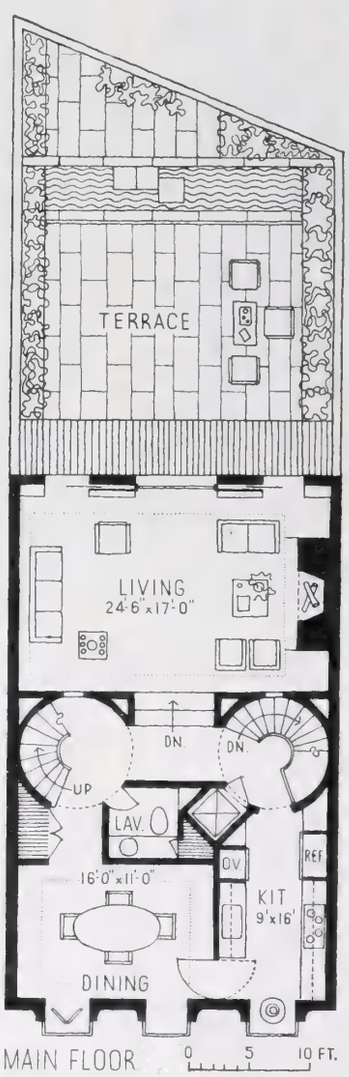
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Twin skylit towers light the interiors

Two circular shafts ("silos," the architect calls them), capped with 10′-diameter skylights, bring spectacular daylight to the center of the house. In the shafts rise stairs, one flight at the right, two flights at the left (see plans). Openings on all floors allow see-throughs across the shafts, let light penetrate everywhere.

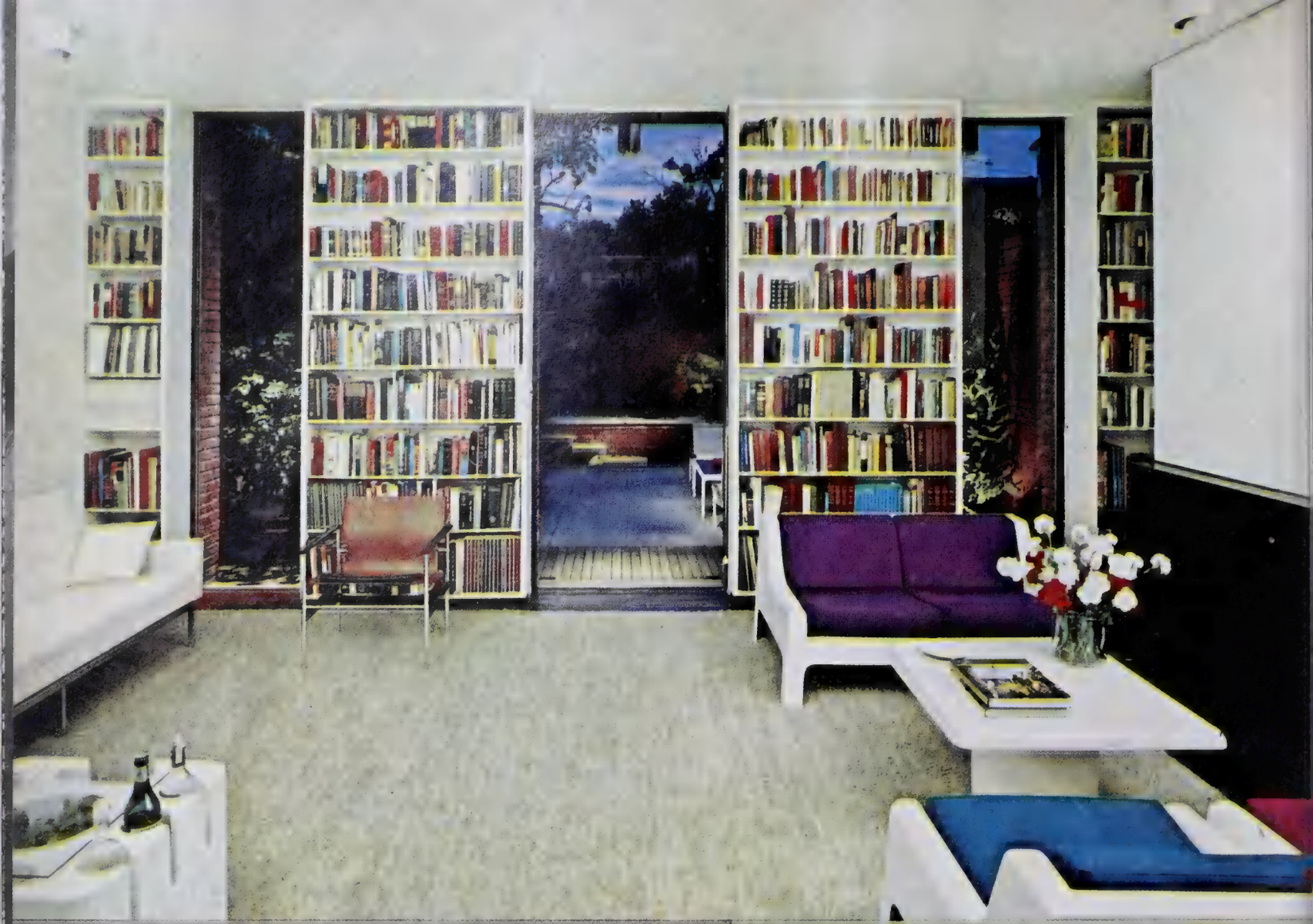
The slow curve of the stair, opposite, starts up from the main living level, the vivid red handrail an emphatic line against the white cylinder. On this page, views up and down the second stairwell, all open above the main floor. At each level, balconies from the hall, viewing slits from each room. At the top, a clear acrylic skylight shows passing clouds.





MADELAINE THATCHER



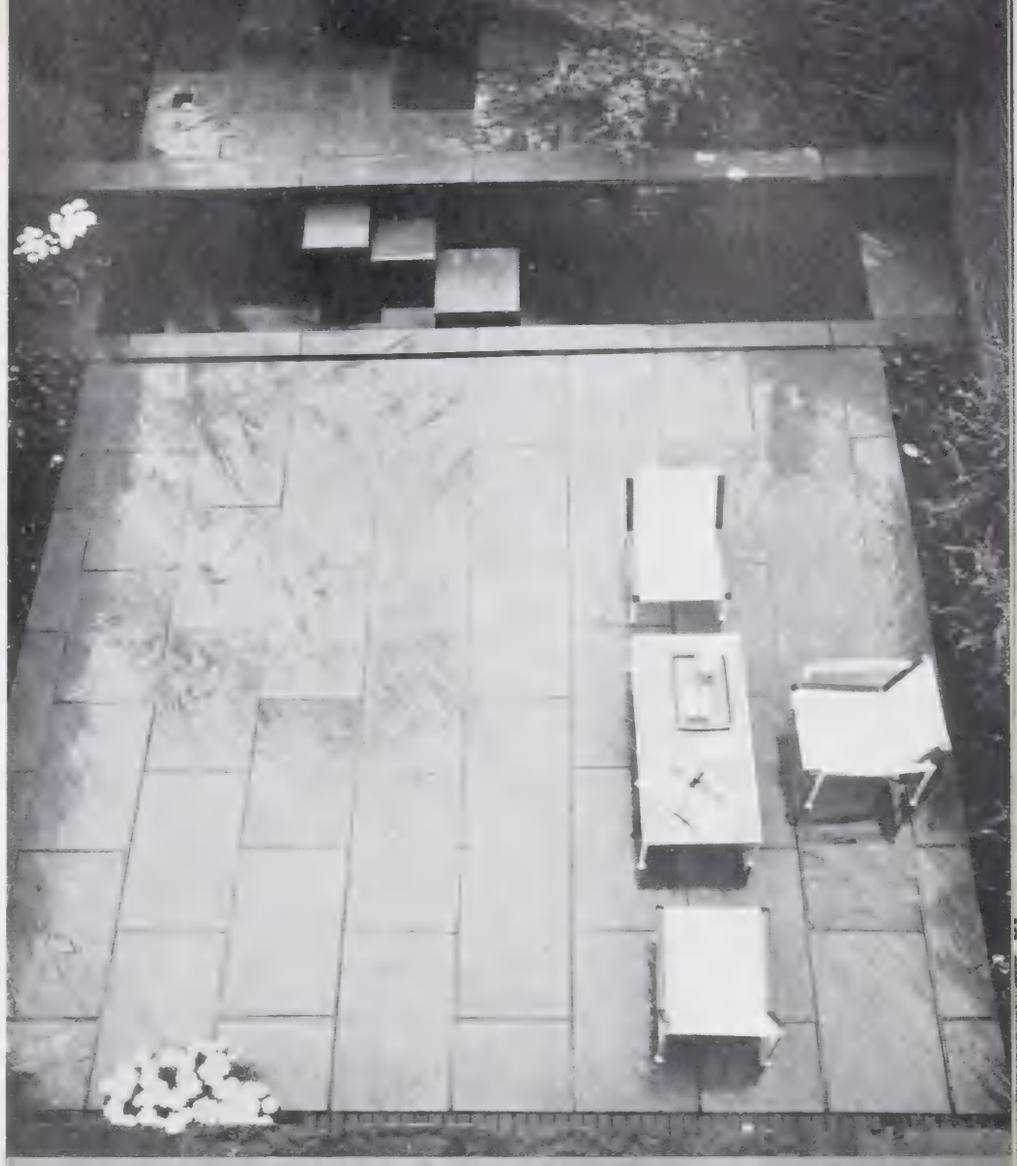






CONTEMPORARY HOUSE THAT MOVES THE EMOTIONS

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The interiors: vivid colors, striking furnishings measure up to the architecture

The living room, opposite, is three steps down from the main-floor landing. Outside, a flagged terrace stretches the full depth of the lot, its two levels separated by a reflecting pool (this page, top). The bookcase walls of the living room seem to float like islands between full-length glass panels. Roman shades, designed by the architect to fit into ceiling pockets, curtain each section of glass. On the rough-textured, natural-wool carpet from Bolivia are furnishings in the materials of today: molded plastic, silk-on-steel, leather-on-chrome. In the kitchen, lower left, brisk efficiency softened by a view of the outside greenery. The dining room, lower right, shows the three-foot-deep bays created by the projecting windows. Around the rosewood table are Mies chairs. Painting by Sam Gilliam. Lower right, the master bedroom, dressed in bold fabrics. The panels on the wall slide over the windows to give nighttime privacy. Detailed product information, page 136.



MICHAEL BOYS

Octagon room, an architectural treasure, with beauties of far-flung origin: a Batty Langley mantel of carved drapery, a Mogul peacock, a royal tapa tablecloth. Rug is Mr. Hicks's design. Tablescape, left: carved carnelian, a burst of starflower.





Lady Pamela, daughter of Lord Mountbatten, has her study, opposite, muraled in Rex Whistler's heraldic paintings of Broadlands, the Mountbatten home. Tablescape of porcelain, marble, alabaster—is on our cover. Desk, right, views a park.



AURA OF EMPIRE

The Georgian manor house of Mr. David Hicks and Lady Pamela Hicks—intimations of a gracious stability, of excellence long cherished and lived with, of a perennial British world awareness



From the pens of Waugh, Proust, Capote, Bowen, and others:

ROOMS WITH THE POWER TO ENCHANT

By ALICE S. MORRIS

The power of rooms to cast a spell on us, or a pall, to arouse intimations of felicity or doom is an aspect of living that has been written about, painted about, and directly observed by us all. The more aware we are, the more clearly do rooms and the objects in them speak to our very souls. And these messages from the interior tell us, profoundly, where we are.

All rooms, in fact, that sincerely reflect the visions, convictions, and even hang-ups of its inhabitants have the power to alert and move us. This Regency desk; these white tambour curtains against pale-blue walls; the Early American portrait of a young girl (her frock white as the curtains, her sash a deeper blue than the walls), framed in faded gold; this antique copper pitcher, randomly worn through to a silver sheen and holding small pink roses—the confluence of these objects and colors confront us with a secular faith, a reigning spirit, a life style to which we instinctively respond whether or not the style is our own.

Alice Morris was for many years the Literary Editor of Harper's Bazaar. Now a free-lance writer-editor, she muses here on the effect of environment on character—and vice versa—as suggested by some of our greatest writers.

Thus, we find ourselves equally, if differently, drawn to rooms quite disparate in tone: One is cozy and cluttered, with magazines on the floor by the couch and walls blotted out by prints and paintings; another, a paean to elegance in the refinement and luxury of its appointments; and still another, a cool abstraction expressed in a modern idiom of pristine space, clear colors, low-lying furniture, and a kind of perfectionist ordering of spareness.

Moreover, a room's power to affect us is independent of the circumstances by which it came into being. It can have evolved slowly over many lifetimes of accumulation, discardings, rearrangement, and change, like the English farm kitchen that was described by D.H. Lawrence:

A good-sized, low room that through long course of years had become absolutely a home. The great beams of the ceiling bowed easily. The chimney seat had a bit of dark-green curtain, and under the high mantelpiece was another low shelf that the men could reach with their hands as they sat in the inglenook. There the pipes lay. Many generations of peaceful men and fruitful women had passed through the room, and not one but had added a new small comfort; a chair in the right place, a hook, a stool, a cushion, a certain pleasing cloth for the sofa covers, a shelf of books. . . . At last, it had an individuality."[1]

Or the room may have sprung into being full-blown, out of a blueprint, a deskful of swatches and catalog clippings, and a flash of vision. Nathalie Sarraute sees the creation of a room in this way as a source of peculiarly feminine joy:

No, really, try as you might, you could find nothing to say against it; it's perfect. . .an exquisite combination: that velvet curtain, made of very heavy velvet, the best quality wool velvet in a deep green, quiet and unobtrusive. . . .And at the same time a warm luminous shade. . . .Marvelous against the gold glints of the beige wall. . . .And the wall itself. . . .How effective. . . .One should always insist on that extremely fine stenciling; the tiny dots give a texture like down. . . .But how dangerous, how mad, really, to choose from samples, to think that she had been within a hair's breadth. . . .It's funny how this one, looked at in a small piece, had seemed lifeless, faded. . . .What misgivings, what hesitations. . . .And now, quite obviously, it was just what was wanted. . . .Not the least bit faded, it looks almost bright, shimmery, against this wall. . .exactly the way she had imagined it the first time. . . .

"That was a brilliant idea of hers. . .after all the trouble, all the looking round. . .and there, at the sight of that green wheat gleaming and rippling under the cool little wind in the sunlight, at the sight of that straw stack, it had come to her all of a sudden. . .it was that—in slightly different shades—but that, in fact, was the idea. . .exactly what was wanted. . . .Now this brightness, this shimmer, this luminosity, this exquisite freshness, like a caress, they too come from there, from that straw and from that field, she has succeeded in robbing them of all that, in capturing it. . . ."[2]

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TRUMAN CAPOTE

describes his well-loved, highly personal surroundings

AT THE SEA AND IN THE CITY

I can remember in immaculate detail rooms unseen since I was five years old. I have always been aware of rooms, their atmosphere, the emotions they induce. I can be content only in two kinds: the totally anonymous room (a reasonably clean motel room wouldn't bother me in the least) and the completely subjective—virtually every object under my various roofs is by nature a souvenir. (The Victorian cat above I found in Florence on my first trip to Italy.) I dislike impersonal rooms—and some of the handsomest and most admired rooms are precisely that: "taste" is there, but all evidence of the tenant's own style, his humanity, is absent. Mostly I arrange my own rooms and always have. I don't think I could create a room for another person—anyway, my fantasies are too impractical for most people. Rotating with the seasons, I live in four places: in the city (New York), by the sea (Long Island), in the mountains (Verbier, Switzerland), and in the desert (Palm Springs).

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TRUMAN CAPOTE IN THE CITY



A corner of my library-dining room,
a mostly red affair that is rather like sinking into a hot raspberry tart—a sensation *you* may not relish,
but I quite enjoy. The lamp is Tiffany's "The Wisteria Tree"; others of his admirers
may quarrel, but I consider it the gentleman's masterpiece.
This New York apartment, for which my friend, the gifted Mrs. George Backer,
deserves the principal credit, looks out on the United Nations.



My own peaceable kingdom.
I'm an animal lover, and I like them alive or as *objets virtu*.
The flower-burdened owl is really an Austrian beer stein; I found him on Second Avenue,
where I am a constant browser and sometime buyer.



Muguet is my favorite flower,
especially when one finds bouquets of it scattered in a January room. Anemones are a close second with me.
I am very partial to red lacquer and finally took the great plunge of acquiring this
Chinese Chippendale desk from Accorsi, the incomparable antiquaire in Turin.

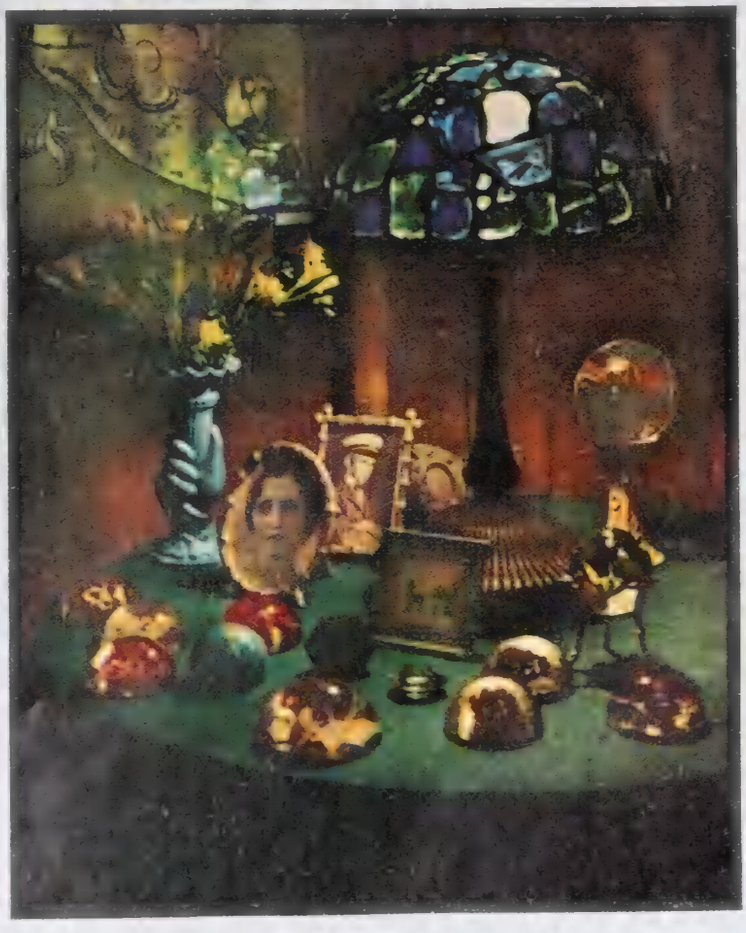
TRUMAN CAPOTE AT THE SEA



My favorite room is this one, in the house by the sea.
Actually, the whole house is one large studio room built on different levels.
The dominant colors are chosen from the sea itself; blue and green—a very dark blue and a very dark green.
The blue-painted floors are lacquered to a mirror finish; most of the furniture is
painted the same blue, so that it blends into a sort of floating, optical illusion.
The spiral stair leads to an open balcony that serves as a sitting room. The small blue chaise
in front of the fireplace belongs to my dog, Charlie. A friend, Winston Guest, shot the lion.
At night, with a fire burning and the room lighted with blue and green lamps,
the whole place seems to me dreamily adrift, a sea-grotto that moves but is stationary.
Whatever—it is a room that works for me and one in which I am able to work.



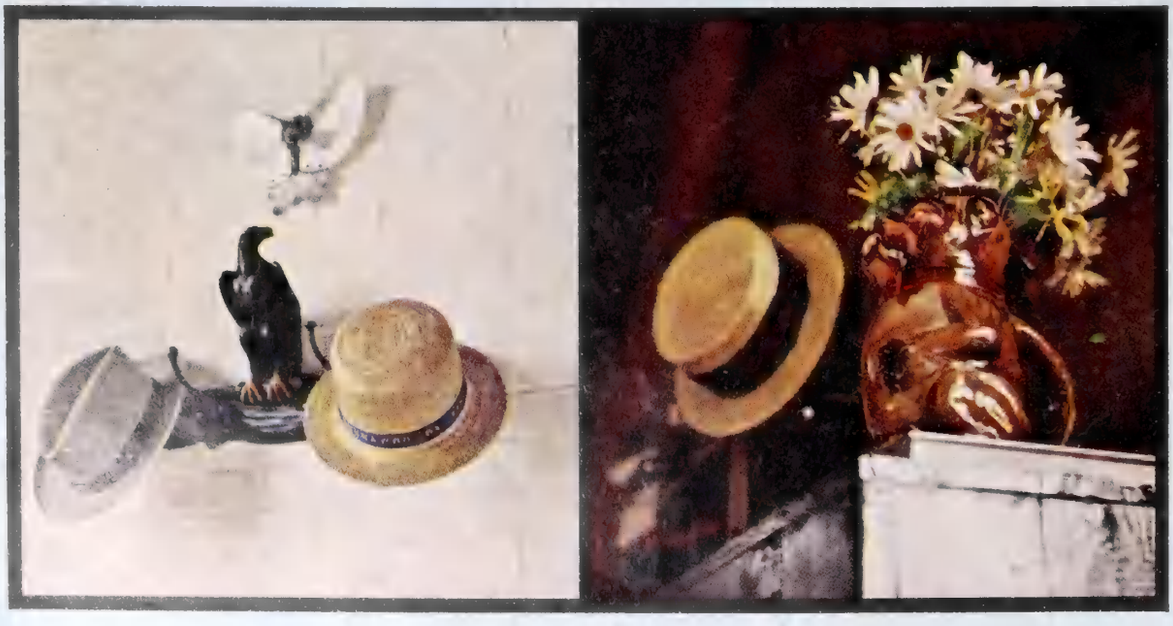
This window looks out on a grass-thicket sanctuary that stops at the edge of the sea. A friendly community of pheasants and rabbits, wild geese and owls, all live there. Frequently I gaze out to find a fox staring me in the eye.



The lamp, another by Tiffany, is compiled of blue and green glass hunks; it started me on the color pattern that dominates the room. As for the photographs: the face in the forefront is my mother, the one beyond is my father.



This is the table at which I work.
It is wicker, but extraordinarily heavy: nothing trembles except my nervous self.
The wall before it rises two floors, is entirely mirrored, and reflects the whole room,
doubling its size and making it, at moments, look like the shimmering inside of a Russian Easter egg.



Some folks, in the way of a trophy or personal emblem,
display the heads of savage beasts, but I prefer a butterfly made of pearl shells and Georgian silver—
it seems a more suitable signature. The hats are part of a sizable collection.
I love hanging them hither and there, for it makes me think: Well, somebody lives here—in fact, I live here.



WHERE THE PAST IS PROLOGUE

By DOROTHEA STRAUS

My husband has often remarked with satisfaction that five generations of his family have lived at Jacnor Farm. For me the phrase has little meaning, as the twenty years I have spent here have passed as imperceptibly as one long summer's day.

Although time has been suppressed, space has been deepened and these few acres have piled up layers of living that memory, a somewhat inaccurate archeologist, is empowered to excavate. The entrance to Jacnor Farm (named for Jacob and Nora, my husband's grandparents, who built it), is only one hour from New York City in suburban Westchester County, but the maple-lined driveway cuts through open fields, wild with tall grasses in summer and etched in gray in winter. And our large poodle bounding across the meadows, his tail high as a periscope, often flushes a pheasant or follows the scent of a deer whose lovely flanks you glimpse as he vanishes into the woods.

My son's house rises smooth and white from a clearing. It is at once contemporary and romantic—clean, bold, turreted, and steep, yet candidly open to a carpet of grass and spaced trees beneath which one expects to see a unicorn appear, as in the medieval tapestries at The Cloisters. This shining building houses a new family: father, mother, baby; in relation to me, son, daughter-in-law, granddaughter. Their future is mysteriously linked to my past as my life is dimly connected to those who lived before me at Jacnor Farm. This new house evolves from the old well-utilized property like a blossoming branch from the gnarled, weather-beaten apple tree in the orchard.

Halfway up the road that leads from our son's house to ours is a low stone bridge spanning a small brook, hidden but audible after heavy summer rains or when the snow melts suddenly under a surprising winter sun. Willows bend their feathery grace in the direction of the subtle sound of the water, vainly trying to find their reflections in the meager stream. Since my first view of them, the willows have been thinned out by time and occasional severe ice storms. But the remaining ones suggest those gone and are, along with the stone bridge, what they were: the slightly Oriental trademark of Jacnor Farm. Opposite the bridge is the old stable, now a garage; next, the orchard and the vegetable garden. Then the land rises sharply and our house appears.

One late afternoon in November as I walked from my son's house to ours, I saw the sun explode through its windows like fire. The walls looked charred, like a ship consumed in a blaze. The long house appeared as flat as a paper silhouette, and I expected to see it curl and disappear before my eyes. Before this happens, there are so many things to remember. . . .

The geography of Jacnor Farm has actually changed only in small ways since my arrival. But the sights have altered in my mind's eye with the passage of time, and though I am able to remember the past I cannot relive it through my eyes. The big rambling houses (my husband's parents' home, and that of "Granny," the matriarch, which now belongs to us) are the same today, yet different. In their comfortable turn-of-the-century, vaguely Swiss-chalet forms, I do not find the houses I first saw on the day I became engaged. But the other senses, less sophisticated and more truthful than sight, can impregnate the present with the past: the smell of lilac, privet hedge, rotting apples, burning leaves, the feeling of soft grass underfoot after walking on the graveled driveway—these are the ambassadors of memory. *(Continued on page 50)*

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SKETCH [illegible]VE BY GERHARDT LIEBMANN

By ELVIN McDONALD

THE GARDEN OF SERENITY

This seventeenth-century Japanese stroll garden grows today on a hilltop in North Salem, New York, meticulously designed and lovingly planted by Natalie Hays Hammond, who has always wondered what it felt like to live in other times and places. Fifteen separate Oriental landscapes blend with subtlety into one place of solitude where time is suspended. Evergreen trees and shrubs set among lasting elements of rock, gravel, and sand detail a flowing pattern symbolic of nature's never-ending rhythm. Only fleeting blooms and deciduous trees mark the passing seasons.



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EZRA STOLLER

Niobe willow, hardy ferns, and junipers frame teahouse in distance, above. Lichen-scrolled stones lead to Island of the Bodhisattva where stands a statue of Jizo, Japanese patron saint of children.

Reflecting pool, opposite, mirrors weeping willow, pine, juniper, and cypress trees above carpets of moss, thyme, and sedum. Five water-lilies represent humanity, justice, courtesy, wisdom, and fidelity.



DÉCORS OF SOUND

Musical thoughts on emotion and environment

From the diary of

NED ROREM



EUGENE COOK

Ned Rorem, shown as he listens to a recording "take" of his own music, is an incredibly skillful composer who has recently gained wide recognition as an author. Two books of special note: *Music and People* and *Music from Inside Out.*

Room after room,
I hunt the house through
We inhabit together.

—BROWNING

☐ Rooms. They contain our lives. Wards, cradles, nurseries, parlors, boudoir and bathtub, kitchen and sacristy, even the halls of open fields bordered by leafy wall and blue-gold ceiling. Even the coffin. Throughout life and death we cannot escape our rooms. We are the fingers within their glove, corridors of either velvet or iron: the hand inside moves accordingly.

☐ According to our environment we choose our environment—our glove, our room. As hands we react tactilely. But as persons attached to those hands we react with heart and mind, and with the five senses which interact with mind and heart and sometimes with themselves, especially in artists who say they can sniff green, hear marble, fondle F major. Still, the arts are specialized and are all, without exception, either visual or auditory. Yet they have been said to derive from that most painful of pleasures which is nostalgia.

Paradoxically, nostalgia arises through those two senses with which no art primarily deals: taste and smell. They can't be channeled, intellectualized, communicated, as can sight and sound and sometimes touch. Tongue and nose single-mindedly burrow through diamond-hard culture barriers to (I guess) instinct.

☐ After a decade's absence I returned to Morocco. Even before reaching customs the indigenous odors of tea, mint, dung, olives, cedar, unleavened bread, newly tanned cowhides, and burning wet leaves (here in Rabat—like those in my Chicago childhood!) assailed dormant responses well before I'd seen or heard a thing. The pain of this pleasure now is in recalling the pleasure of that pain then: It is nostalgia, otherwise called emotion. I could transcribe such emotion into notes here

oday in this room far from Morocco,
nd those silent notes would form a
omposition to be translated into sound
ears hence at some concert hall
ar from this room.

very room has its own music. It is we
ho put the music there. Morocco was
ne of my rooms, a haunted room reached
y an inexorable path of choice leading
hrough an adolescent bedroom where I
rst played the records of Debussy
nd Benny Goodman, whose sounds
ransformed the drab rug into a
uivering carpet that flew me finally
cross an ocean. On that later return
Morocco became (though places never
re!) even better than before. Before,
hough, I was of an age to
rovoke situations—as who doesn't?
—wherein I could play both
riminal and victim. Today I justify
nd protect myself, and so miss out. But
choose what I miss out on.

If I'm no longer anxious to gather
acks of rosebuds while I may, it's not
hat the flowers might wither, leaving
he holding the bag. I'm just
o longer interested in rosebuds.

t's another way of saying that music,
ke love, must be selective.

But do not confuse love and music.
Outsiders say that steady love would
rovide inspiration for the composer.
nspiration (which no artist thinks
uch about: if he didn't *assume* it he
ouldn't be an artist) is not "provided"
ut emerges from solitude; while love,
s outsiders surely realize, comes
rom outside. Love furnishes the soul
s mirrors furnish the house. Furnishing
eeps one out of mischief, but is
therwise unnecessary. Of course, music
n't "necessary" either, although,
ke mirrors, it does reflect and
how us who we are.

Music is an antidote as well as a
irror. If musical art has always
eflected what we call "the times"
ithout necessarily proposing
olutions to the times' problems
solutions must be sought elsewhere),
has also rendered the times,
edious or terrifying though they be,
hrough what is generally conceded to
e communicative beauty. Music
annot not be beautiful, even when it's
gly. And yes, by definition music *is*
motional, expressive.

The impact of a musical composition
epends on where it is intended to
be performed, and on our bodily state
when we hear it. But obviously a good
frame of mind is required for the
attention of "right" listening. So is a
good frame of sight. To listen well we
must be in familiar surroundings, so that
visual novelty will not distract us
into merely hearing. Hearing can mean
to let music go in one ear and out the
other, while listening lets music
go in both ears and stay. A virtue of
the musicale in former times
was its encouragement of listening.

☐ The musicale has never thrived in our practical land. Even in France, after a long red- (I mean blue-) blooded activity, the salon now has died of anemia. The final transfusions were offered by a beautiful widow, the Comtesse Jean de Polignac, née Marie-Blanche Lanvin and nominal head of the Lanvin *maison de couture*. Twelve regulars gathered weekly in her dining room where, beneath a fresco created by Bérard to suit the countess's coloring, they would consume breasts of guinea hen, pure gold lemon soufflés, and champagne from the Polignac vineyards. They then adjourned to a grand upstairs parlor where more guests would arrive, and there followed three hours of musicalizing: sometimes Auric and Février rambling through Chabrier at the two huge Pleyels, sometimes Poulenc accompanying his own nasal wail in the première of a recent cycle, perhaps Marie-Blanche herself informally singing Monteverdi with her friend Nadia Boulanger, or more formal recitals by eminent soloists or composers who happened to be passing through Paris—Rubinstein, say, or Aaron Copland. Thus were all Sundays until Madame de Polignac's death in 1957, Sundays of dedication among friends. Sundays of music in the home.

But such a home! My first visit there rendered me tone-deaf. The wall of that upstairs parlor happened to be covered with Vuillards, the floor with velours, the 20-foot couches with satin, the ashtrays with pearl, the air with Arpège, and the hostess with a never-the-same Lanvin creation of apple-green chiffon or fairytale organdy, all this garnished (between numbers) with that theatrically succinct résumé of which French is made, be it Sartre's or Suzy Solidor's.

Is this any way to hear music? Yes, once the grave young U.S. composer that I was had grown accustomed to luxury as "tone" rather than as vice.

☐ The rich American living room is remarkable for functional spic-and-spanness, for expensive necessities, the owners feeling a bit guilty about beauty for its own sake. Wealthy European counterparts, though the ceiling may need drastic repairs, will glow with be-rubied *objets d'art* serving no other purpose than to be looked at. My first evening *chez* Marie-Blanche I *heard*. Not until my third could I *listen*.

One Sunday a particularly large gathering had been invited. This time we repaired for our music to a bigger hall that I had never seen. The hall was hung with Renoirs and permeated by gigantic bouquets of tuberoses which, mixed with the diamond guests, obliged me, as a listener, to begin again from scratch. The evening's mixed media were an unconscious, if classier, preview of our East Village's Electric Circus.

Being a subtler mechanism than the eye, the ear is crushed by new environments. From the première of a new ballet, albeit one by Stravinsky and Balanchine, it is sights more than sounds we bring home.

☐ When in 1965 a work of mine was played at the White House (how *clean* the rooms were there!) during that now-notorious Festival of the Arts, nobody including myself listened to my music: The physical circumstances were just too special. Yet we all remember whom we saw. If I was offended by the audience's inattention, why not, by the same token, be offended by my own?

"Right" listening? What, after all, is the *right* way? Any way, I suppose, if it gives some sort of pleasure.

Once I expressed indignation on learning that a painter friend worked while his phonograph played masterpieces. The composer in me was outraged—the composer who felt his every note merits an undivided sequence of responses from all hearers, and whose definition of masterpiece was rigid. Yet that painter had a larger whistling acquaintance than I with the overall opera repertory, and he loved, he *needed* music in *his* way. How should I judge, I who orchestrate with the radio on? In any case a good artist—even a bad one—knows how to blank out.

☐ Since it comes from within, the spirit's light is blinded by the light of the world. Four bare walls provide the best studio.

"I like a view," said Gertrude Stein. "but I *(Continued on page 134)*

FURNITURE THAT EVOKES A MOOD

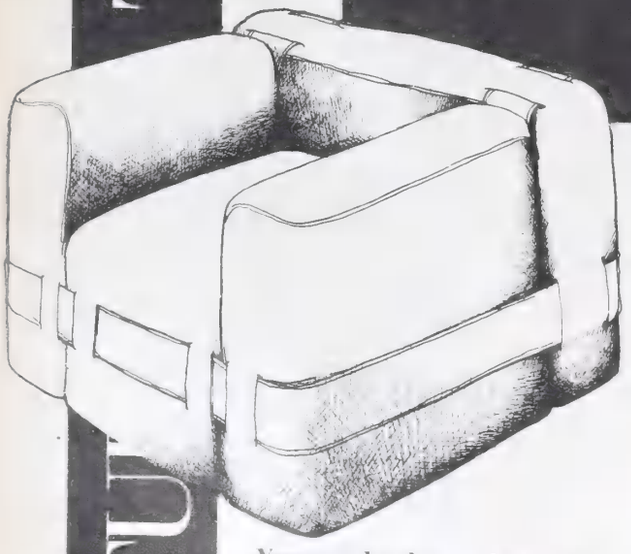
Between people and things. . .sound and true bonds of joy, comfort, and trust. A chaise that speaks of repose. An endearing rocker recalling languid summer evenings. . . .The tingle of anticipation in an opulent, brass-fitted trunk. The satisfaction of knowing and remembering the welcoming shelter of a canopied four-poster. A chunky, swashbuckling chair bringing smiles. These, a small measure of the rich pleasures available to discover, use, enjoy. By HARRIET MORRISON



TWO PHOTOGRAPHS BY TOM WIER

Cozy fireside charmer in black lacquer. French in origin. The "Voltaire." $450. Doris Dessauer.

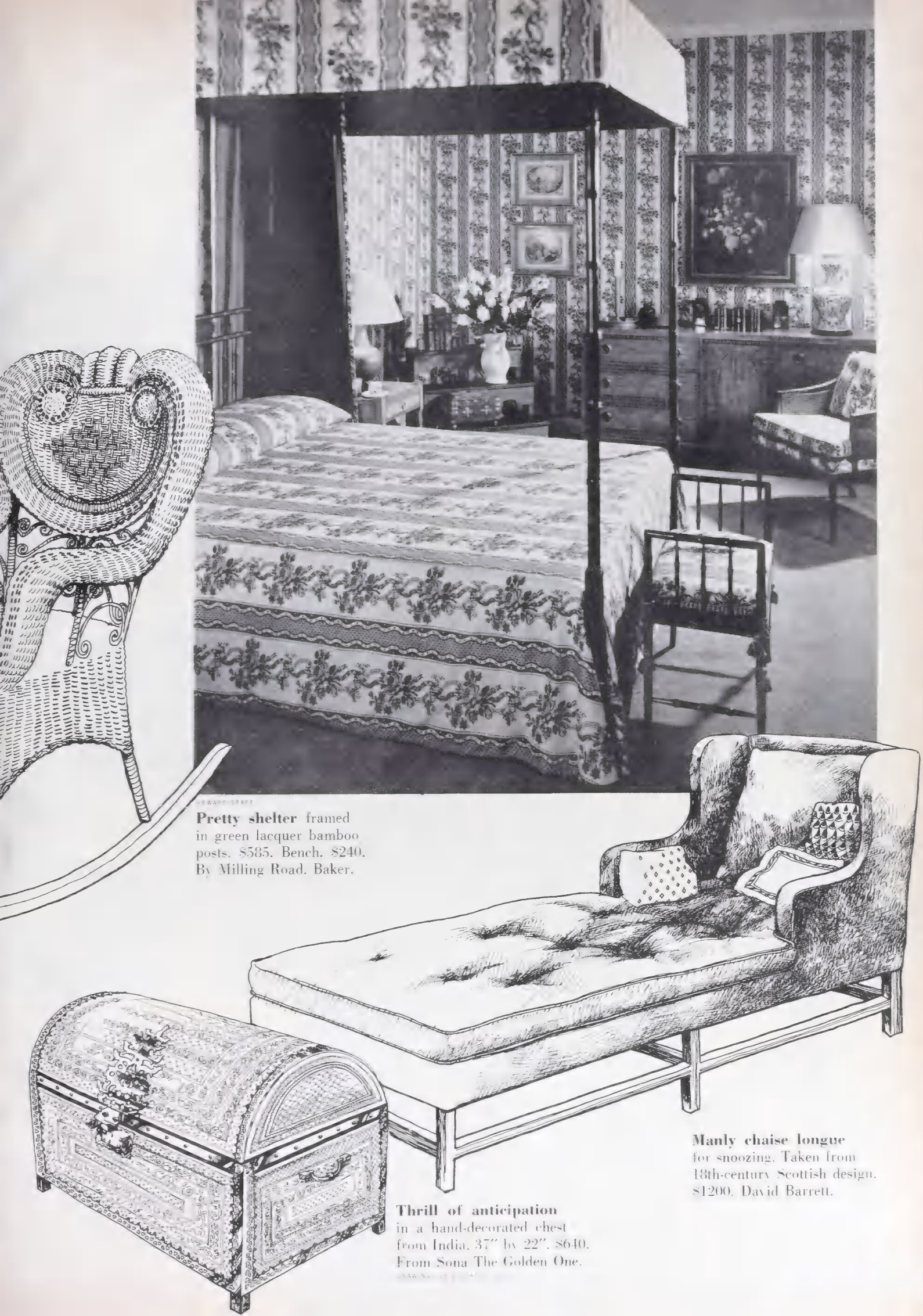
Frivolous filigree o
a nostalgic rocker.
Wicker, of course. $1
in white. By Calif-As



Yummy leather cube made of four parts belted and buckled rakishly low. Mario Bellini. $875. Atelier Ltd.



Chaise à deux. Mr.-and-Mrs. chairs fit snugly into any side of ottoman. All three, $1536. By Dunbar.



Pretty shelter framed in green lacquer bamboo posts. $585. Bench. $240. By Milling Road. Baker.

Manly chaise longue for snoozing. Taken from 18th-century Scottish design. $1200. David Barrett.

Thrill of anticipation in a hand-decorated chest from India. 37″ by 22″. $640. From Sona The Golden One.

LIGHT: THE REVEALING DIMENSION





Light can disturb, or it can soothe. It can depress the spirit, or it can elate. It is as important to mood as any other single factor in our environment. Without light, great architecture is meaningless: art is nothing.

With the wrong light, great architecture turns bland: fine furnishings become pedestrian. But developed with skill by a talented designer, light—more precisely, the effect of light—is as vital to the beauty of our surroundings as the skillful arrangement of spaces or the sophisticated choice of furnishings.

Man has always sought to light his home: with flaming vine brands, candles, oil lamps, gas jets; and then, Edison's incandescent bulb, a discovery as influential on our lives as the internal combustion engine.

Light in a home is to see by, and to be seen by. And today, light is to be seen: a warm glow from a frosted globe on the floor; a kinetic light sculpture; projection of whole scenes on a wall. And more surprises, as you'll see below.

But what kind of light? Light can be dull and flat when handled badly, or it can be moody and marvelous, as it is in the lower photograph at left, and the scene at the far right.

How do you live? That has a bearing on the way light should be planned for your home. Where do you live: a house or an apartment? This will make a difference—not in the quality of light in your home, but in the way equipment is installed. And what do you own that requires special lighting? A sculpture? Painting? Tapestry? All have an effect. And there is more.

To discover just what's happening in the awakening art/science of lighting design, we interviewed some of the still small, though growing number of lighting designers in *(Continued overleaf)*

Startling contrast between the washed-out effect of ordinary light, above, and the warm, evocative mood of carefully designed lighting, left, in the foyer of Mrs. John Day Stuchell's New York apartment. Lighting is by John Maguire. Four sculptures by Norman Mommens. Painting by Serge Poliakoff.

WESLEY BALZ

By JOHN H. INGERSOLL





Overlighting a room is as disturbing as underlighting it. A barrage of light around a piano, left, is satisfactory for playing, but otherwise dull. Attempting to play by the glow of a single standing lamp (too often the case) would produce eye strain. Lighting, above, as it is in this home, truly spreads "the best light in which I've ever played," according to one pianist in the family. At the same time, both painting and flowers are beautifully brought to life. For a party setting, fixtures over the keyboard are turned off or dimmed. Lighting design is by Sylvan R. Shemitz. Robert Vickrey painting from Midtown Galleries, New York.





LIGHT: THE REVEALING DIMENSION

continued

this country. They are the vanguard of what may one day be a group as structured as the architects and interior decorators are now. We talked first to Sylvan R. Shemitz, Sylvan R. Shemitz and Associates, West Haven, Connecticut. Mr. Shemitz is considered by many in the lighting field to be among the top two or three designers today. Here is what transpired:

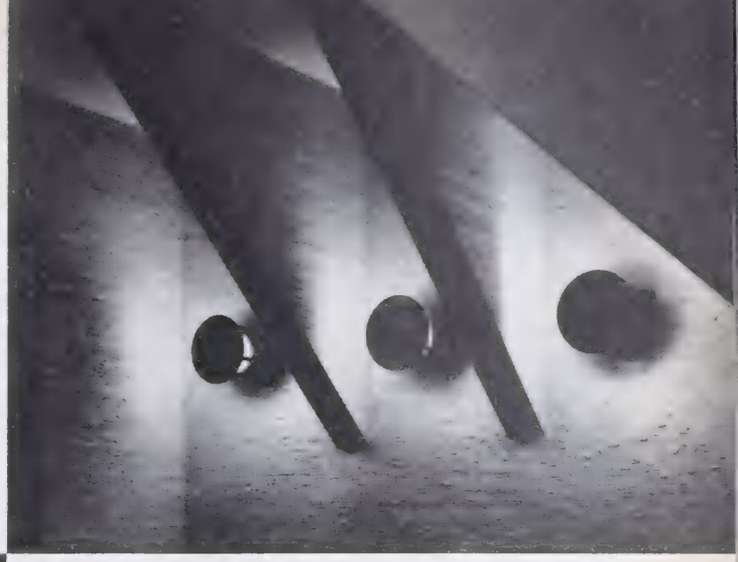
House Beautiful: Is there truly an emotional quality to light?

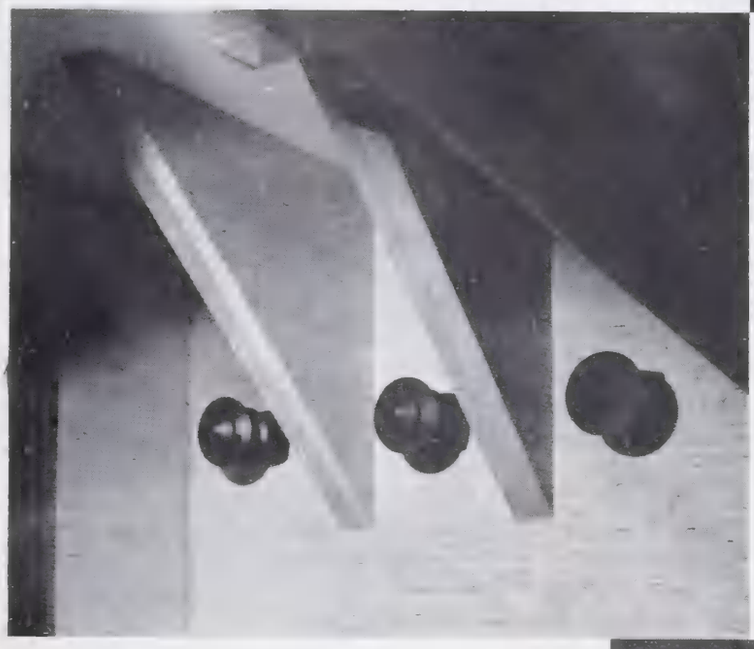
Shemitz: Positively. Why do you think the lighting is low-key in a smart restaurant? To keep you there. Make you comfortable. Just as a coffee shop is brightly lit to make you eat and move on so the next customer can be seated.

Let me tell you a story about the lighting in my own house. The equipment in our living room is all on dimmers, and one evening, a couple—very close friends—were visiting. It was after dinner, and we were sitting and talking in the living room. Our lights were dimmed down, and most comfortable. For the fun of it, I called aside the husband, and said, "I'll bet I can make your wife get up and say she wants to go home, and then change her mind." My friend told me it was impossible. I said, "Watch." Then very slowly I began turning up the lights, until the intensity was high, and the color of the light was cool and white. Sure enough, his wife got up and said she thought it was about time to go. Her husband and my wife kept her in conversation for a while, during which time I slowly dimmed down the lights again, and as the intensity grew lower, the lights turned toward the deep yellows and reds—warm colors. As if on cue, his wife sat down once more and forgot all about leaving. So help me, it happened.

House Beautiful: When did the need for designing light *(Continued overleaf)*

Dining is probably the activity most often associated with mood lighting. At left are two variations for a handsome setting. Good downlighting, and valance lighting on draperies, above, set a cheerful scene for what could be a bright family lunch on a gray day. Change the mood to romantic, left, for fashionable dining. Design: General Electric.





Architecture suffers in bad lighting. Covered supports for a staircase at left border on the ugly when illuminated by a center hall fixture (simulated here). What a dramatic difference, above. Now the strength of the supports is heightened by three low-wattage lamps in special, non-glare fixtures. Lighting: Sylvan R. Shemitz.

Bathroom lighting is often poor, even in very expensive homes. What's needed: a decent level of overall illumination, as below. Note that overhead grid matches bath's elegance. Design: John Maguire for Mrs. Stuchell.

THREE PHOTOGRAPHS BY WESLEY BALL





WESLEY BALZ

Landscaping is an integral part of a house during the day, and ought to be at night. Many designers won't accept a commission for lighting interiors unless they can also plan the exterior lighting. A designer balances interior against exterior, makes one strengthen the other. These photographs tell the story. Flat lighting, above, is harsh, and with no light outside, presents a rather frightening black void along the glass wall. In sharp contrast, there is much warmth and charm in the scene below, and the landscaping outside virtually becomes a wall-length mural—even more dramatic in snow or rain. Design by John Maguire.



LIGHT: THE REVEALING DIMENSION

continued

for private residences become apparent?

Shemitz: About 22 years ago. Lighting before that was pretty mundane. You were lucky if you had a center fixture in a room. At that time, downlighting—or architectural lighting of any kind—was in its infancy. The first gains were made in commercial work: strip lights, theatrical spots, and so on. Then these techniques were applied to residential lighting.

House Beautiful: What do you have to know about a client before you can design his lighting?

Shemitz: I must understand how he's going to use the house. What are the family's living habits? Where do they like to spend an evening? How do they picture the furniture arrangement?

House Beautiful: Do you work directly with the client?

Shemitz: Yes, when an owner comes right to me and there's no architect on the job. But ordinarily I work through the architect, from whom I get most of my assignments. And by the way, I want to serve the architect—not just the owners.

House Beautiful: But wouldn't you still want to talk to the owners?

Shemitz: Oh, yes. I always prefer to meet the owners, to develop a sense of the way they will live and react to their house.

House Beautiful: Let's take an imaginary trip through the house and learn what planned lighting can achieve. Suppose we start in the living areas.

Shemitz: This is going to be a space for many activities: a gathering of the family during holidays; a place to sit and read; a hall for playing piano or strumming guitar; a center for entertaining—probably at two age levels. The room should reflect in its lighting the many changing moods called for by these activities. The key—perhaps here more than in any other room—is flexibility, change, the ability to choose an atmosphere that suits the activity. Artfully installed, lighting can create all these moods.

House Beautiful: What you're referring to is built-in lighting, of course. How is flexibility achieved?

Shemitz: This has to mean a considerable amount of *(Continued on page 137)*



Canvas after the Chilean oil painting, "Valparaiso"

Classic crewel design in needlepoint



Romantic 17th-century bouquet in needlepoint





Owl and trillium panel in crewelwork

THE CREATIVE SPELL

Proof that 20th-century beings have the patience for detail and perfection. The tree and owl panel, for instance, crewelwork on upholstery fabric. The stitches: Fishbone, Satin, Herringbone, Rumanian, Split. Designed by Erica Wilson, embroidered by Mrs. Richard Robinson. Left, a Dutch masterpiece designed by Rosetta Larsen, needlepoint by Mrs. H. Rivingson Pine. Left center, a timeless floral in needlepoint designed by Woolworks and embroidered by Mrs. Jerome Kursman. Top left, a canvas taken from a Chilean painting by Nemsio Antuñez, one of eight South American painters contributing canvas designs for an exhibit in which all these will be shown—"Needlecraft of the Americas," sponsored by Amateur Needlework of Today for the benefit of the N.Y. Association for the Blind, the Lighthouse, April 12-24.

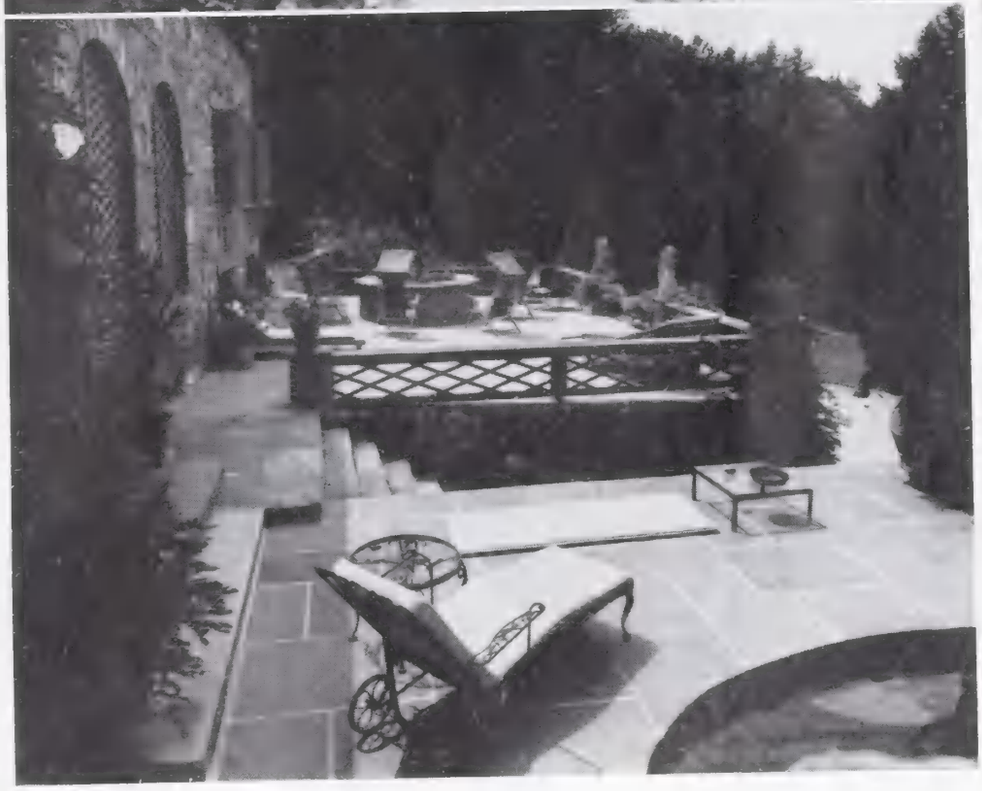


ENCHANTMENT IN A HOUSE OF STONE

An untended old house, undistinguished and joyless, assumes the excitement of high drama. A sense of staging and style has softened the rough stone walls; the deft hand of fashion has charmingly diminished the vast spaces.







CARMEN D'ALESSIO

A country house at the edge of an apple orchard starts a new life, in sharp contrast to its Tudor beginnings

When a fashion photographer, wise to the striking effect of light against dark, discovered a brooding house of stone on two pleasantly green but unkempt acres in Croton Falls, New York, it was challenge and pleasure to brighten its dispirited interior. The original owner, dreaming of Tudor grandeur, had built the house in the thirties, and when he died, the house was only half-finished. The new owner, poking around for hidden delights, uncovered enormous hand-hewn beams hidden in plywood and magnificent chestnut floors buried in linoleum. Imagination and a couturier's meticulous detail brought the house back to life. Now there is charm, gaiety, the abundance of creature comforts beautifully staged. Site and exterior, opposite, remain as they were except for small points of grooming, a new swimming pool, and, above, a pair of haughty stone lions. *More*

Editor: Frances Heard









ENCHANTMENT IN A HOUSE OF STONE

continued

High style outwits somberness in the 25-foot-square living room, opposite. Signature details: marvelously chic plaid cotton dress fabric in screen, couch, and Louis XIII chairs. Top, a giant pewter chandelier silhouetted against rough stone . . . winged blue chairs and an eccentric old chest give the den unusual character. Squares of filtered sunlight, above, echo the pattern in the trellis and chairs.





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ENCHANTMENT IN A HOUSE OF STONE

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Fastened to a tented ceiling in the blue-and-white toile guestroom, opposite, a tulip-motif French tole chandelier. Directoire bed, and country French rush-seated chairs. Top, in the master bedroom, the softeners are beige linen walls, white fur spread, thick carpeting. Above, the imaginative "farm room," an idea from the French provinces: kitchen, bath, alcove beds—utter privacy for the guests.





MAGIC —UNDER THE SKIES OF MILAN

From his open fire in a grotto, Stone Age man must have viewed the dawn with no less wonder than the owner of this cavelike apartment overlooking Milan. From fire, air, and water, Architect Aldo Jacober has created spatial harmony flowing through the rooms and outdoors.



CARLA DE BENEDETTI

On the terrace, poolside green; inside, deep, dark drama

A vine-draped pool of pale blue rises from the carpeted floor of the tree-bordered rooftop terrace, facing page. The whole, an enlargement of the carpeted interior, shown below it, where an L-shape seating area in the corner of the main living space looks out through wide doors. Across the glass-topped coffee table, the ethereal view above, the glass as reflective as the pool at the end of the terrace. The conservatory behind the sofa, cool and green, like a 3-D painting, creates a vista for the dining area at the opposite end of the living room. Panels of stretched white fabric cover window wall from conservatory to the end of the study alcove with its glass shelves and shining, lacquered desk, shown at left below. Carpeting blankets not only the floors but also the interior walls, accenting the cavelike environment. Well-planned lighting fits the mood. It can spotlight the white-set table, illumine the wall-wide painting, create varied effects to suit the needs of any given time of day.







ILLUSTRATIONS BY DANNIELLE HAYES

Let vibrant orange and purple turn you on

Editor: TACY BOWMAN

Groovy color. Outsize flower "Hanoi" by Marimekko fabrics. $8.50 a yard, Design Research. 86″ sofa framed in black lacquer from "Image" collection. $500. Georg Jensen. Lacquered coffee table in same group. $90 exclusive of glass top. System of polished aluminum poles. $25 each: 32″ shelf. $20 each: 32″ drawer unit. $95 each. All by Founders. Lane "Designers Choice" chest. $110. Harlequin hassock. $12. Crawford. Steel-framed mirror. 24″ by 48″. $250. Tri-Mark. 9″ by 9″ Fashion-Aire foam-backed carpet tiles. 29¢. Ozite. Regal's plaid rug. 6′ by 9′. $100. Orange table lamp. $90. Beylerian. TV-radio $150, and AM-FM stereo. $350 with twin speakers. By Matsushita. Bowl on shelf. $24: geometrics, $10 each. All, Beylerian.

Here and Now: THE YOUNG OPTICS



In our sharply angular geometric scheme, a rounded, swivel-based lounge chair, $185. Selig. Coin-patterned pillow in chair, $6: Comfy. Round floor pillow in Cohama fabric, $20. Craft. Fun tower storage piece, $305. Kroehler. Top shelf, lamp, $30. Laurel. Nut dish, $40. Beylerian. Formica-top table, 38″ by 20″, $69. Elmer Klein. Singer sewing machine, $70. Go-Go radio-phonograph, $30. By Singer. Square ashtray, $20. From Beylerian. Chrome director's chair, $38. Virtue. On the floor, an Acrilan geometric 6′ by 9′ rug, $300. Cabin Crafts. "Cadet" chevron fabric and flower print, treated with Scotchgard, $3.50 a yard. From Bloomcraft.

Pure geometry—for the fashion independent

How to get involved with wicker witchery



Love wicker! For the light-hearted, low budget. Wicker lounge chair, $23; side chair, $15; and wicker stool, $28. All from Calif-Asia. Octagonal dining table with leaf, $150. Broyhill. Pier mirror, $65. Dixie. Stack of tables by Castelli, $50. Beylerian. Pillows, $4 and $6, by Comfy. Ready-made cotton draperies in a plaid or in a floral, shown reflected in round mirrors. Draperies 63″ by 48″, $10 a pair. By Homestead. Circle mirrors, $6 each. Beylerian. On the floor, indoor-outdoor nylon carpeting, $7 a sq. yd. Ludlow. Hanging light by Castigioni, $30. White bowl, $30. Both, Beylerian.

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All prices are approximate.



By NANCY CRAIG

A SENSE OF EARLY AMERICA

The Paul Linzes of South Kent, Connecticut, have a strong feeling for the American tradition. To achieve the rustic charm and hospitality of the early farmhouse kitchen Designer Donn Sheets opened up attic space for a vaulted, beamed ceiling. To bring in the countryside, a set of ten-light casements and five antique—and very rare—keyhole windows.



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WESLEY BALZ



For the traveler-cook, a tiled panorama of the African veldt

Mrs. Linz, who enjoys traveling almost as much as she does cooking, chose to surround herself with mementoes of her trips. A nostalgia for safaris in Africa inspired this mural of the veldt and its wild life. It was designed and executed in tile by Ceramist Carol Janeway for the walls of the niche around the cooktop. Cabinets, laminate in barn-siding pattern. Added beams match the original.



So often a texture rather than a taste, veal makes a marvelous background for a variety of flavorings and sauces. Background is the key word here for—unlike ham, to take an example, which has a distinct and easily identifiable flavor—veal is mild, a gentle meat. On page 133 you will find Some Revealing Facts about Veal. Our lovely recipes start below, and at the end of each Mr. Michael Aaron, a young New York oenophilist, suggests a suitable wine. *By* HELEN McCULLY

The subject is

VEAL

the delicate meat that lends itself to so many imaginative interpretations

Vitello Tonnato, an elegant combination of veal and tuna, makes an elegant and delicious presentation for a big summer buffet. The silver, Reed & Barton's "Pointed Antique."

BEN ROSE

Vitello Tonnato

New York's Quo Vadis Restaurant, to which Mr. Craig Claiborne gives four stars in *The New York Times Guide to Dining Out*, serves this glorious dish throughout the warm weather.

3½ pounds veal, cut off the leg, rolled and tied
1 large onion, skin on, sliced
2 ribs celery, tops on, coarsely chopped
2 cloves garlic, skin on, split
1 carrot, coarsely chopped
1 can (7-ounce size) tuna in oil
2 cups dry white wine
Good pinch thyme
Tiny pinch sage
Few pieces parsley
1 can (2-ounce size) anchovy fillets
½ large sour pickle
A few peppercorns
Chicken broth—your own, or canned condensed
2 cups commercial or very thick homemade mayonnaise* (about)
Capers, well drained
Minced parsley
Juice 1 lemon
Do not add salt

Place the meat in a large, heavy kettle with enough cold water to cover. Bring up to a boil, then simmer for 2 or 3 minutes. Veal is inclined to release a great quantity of gray scum, and this is the only way to eliminate it. Drain, and wash thoroughly under cold water.

Rinse out the kettle, return the meat with all the ingredients except the *mayonnaise, capers, minced parsley, and lemon juice*, with enough chicken broth to cover the meat. Bring up to a boil, reduce heat to simmer, cover the top of the kettle with a round of wax paper or foil, add the lid, and simmer until the meat can be pierced easily with a fork. Somewhat longer than an hour. Do not overcook or the meat will be stringy. Place in the refrigerator *immediately*, and cool in the stock overnight.

The following day, remove the meat from the broth, wrap securely in Saran or foil, and refrigerate.

Lift off any fat on the surface of the broth; then place over a high heat, bring to a rolling boil, and cook down until you have about 3 cups left. Strain. Discard all the vegetables. Cool.

To make the sauce, place *1½ cups of the mayonnaise* in a generous bowl. Gradually beat in enough of the cooled, strained broth with a wire whisk until you have a smooth sauce somewhat thicker than heavy cream. Add more mayonnaise or more broth, if necessary, to bring it to the right consistency. Stir in the lemon juice and taste for seasoning. At this point, taste for salt.

To serve, mound cold, cooked rice mixed with lots of minced parsley sprigs on a large, handsome platter. Slice the meat very, very thin and arrange, overlapping, down the center of the mound, leaving a ring of the parsley rice all around. Spoon some of the sauce *over the meat only*: sprinkle with well-drained capers. Serve remaining sauce on the side with additional capers. Serves 12 to 15 generously.

Serve with tomatoes sliced very thin.

The Wine, a Château Bouscaut 1966. A very dry white from one of the most significant châteaux in Graves.

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Fine additions to your cookbook library

Both the French and the Italians have been extraordinarily creative in their veal dishes, and Mrs. Elizabeth David, the great British cook and cookery writer, has translated many of them in two exceptionally fine books: *Italian Food*, a classic, (Alfred A. Knopf, Inc., $5) and *French Provincial Cooking* (Harper & Row, $9.95). Both, we suggest, belong in the library of every cook worthy of the name. Although a novice might find some of her recipes involved—since Mrs. David does not cook by formula—these are books to excite the cook, a spur to adventure in the kitchen. As for the armchair cook, he will travel many a happy gastronomic mile with this lucid, elegant, often witty writer. London-bound travelers should make a point of visiting Mrs. David's fascinating shop on Bourne Street, devoted to fine equipment.

The subject is veal

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Veal Scaloppine Milanese with Soufflé Mayonnaise

8 to 10 slices veal scaloppine about ¼ inch thick, not pounded
1 egg, lightly beaten
½ teaspoon salt
Freshly ground white pepper
2 slices firm white bread, about
3-4 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese
¼ cup (½ stick) butter
2 tablespoons vegetable oil

Beat up the egg with the salt and pepper. Make the crumbs in the electric blender; mix with cheese. Dry the meat thoroughly with paper towels. Dip the slices first in the egg, then coat both sides with the crumb mixture. Place on a rack and allow to dry for half an hour or so.

The meat can be prepared 4 hours—but no longer—in advance, wrapped in foil, and refrigerated. Useful if it is to be served when guests are coming.

Heat *2 tablespoons of the butter* with *1 tablespoon of the oil* in a large, heavy skillet. When hot, sauté the veal on both sides, a few pieces at a time—don't crowd the pan—until golden, about 4 or 5 minutes. Turn once. Add more butter and oil as it is needed. As it is cooked, place the meat on a hot platter and keep it warm. Serve with lemon wedges and Soufflé Mayonnaise, below.

Typical of Milan, the Veal Scaloppine Milanese could be preceded by baked tomatoes stuffed with breadcrumbs, parsley, and seasonings, served cold, followed by a mixed green salad accompanied by crusty Italian bread.

Soufflé Mayonnaise

2 whole eggs, separated
½ teaspoon dry mustard
½ teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 cup salad and olive oil (half and half)

Place the egg yolks, mustard, salt, lemon juice, and ¼ cup of the oil in the container of the blender. Cover; turn motor to high. *Immediately* remove the cover and add the remaining oil in a steady stream. When all the oil is in, turn off the motor. Pour mixture into a generous bowl.

Now beat the egg whites until they stand in firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up. Fold the whites into the mayonnaise with a rubber spatula. A refreshing idea—the cool, fluffy mayonnaise with the hot meat.

The wine, a Corvo di Salaparuta 1966, a bone-dry white with good character. Produced near Palermo.

Stuffed Loin of Veal

Have the butcher bone a loin of veal, ready to stuff.

¾ cup rice
Pinch saffron
¼ pound slice of ham, diced
½ cup pistachio nuts, coarsely chopped
½ cup parsley sprigs, minced
1 egg, lightly beaten
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
Ground ginger
Butter, softened
1 large onion, coarsely chopped
2 or 3 ribs celery, coarsely chopped
2 carrots, washed, coarsely chopped

Cook the rice with two or three filaments of saffron. Cool, then mix with the *ham*, *nuts*, *parsley*, *egg*, *salt*, and *pepper* to taste.

To stuff the meat, lay it flat and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place the stuffing in the center. Then roll the meat up, securing it with a big skewer at the center. Next, take kitchen string and tie securely six times down the length. Remove the holding skewer. If some of the stuffing oozes out, push it back in, then secure both ends with big skewers. Rub the surface of the meat with a mixture of salt, freshly ground pepper, and ground ginger. Coat the meat generously with softened butter.

Heat about *3 tablespoons of butter* in a heavy skillet. Add the onion, celery, and carrots. Sauté until golden. Pour into a small roasting pan. Place the meat on top and add about *½ cup water*.

Roast in a preheated 350° oven, basting regularly, for about 2 hours or until a meat thermometer reaches 165° to 170°. Add more water, if necessary. Place on a heated platter and keep warm.

Bring the vegetables and broth in the roasting pan to a high boil. Strain through a fine sieve, mashing the vegetables to get as much of their juices as possible. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Pour into a warm sauceboat and serve with the meat.

Serve with braised carrots, followed by a fresh green salad.

The wine, a Cahors Rouge 1966, currently the rage of Paris, comes from near Toulouse.

Escalopes de Veau Normande
(Veal Scallops with Cream, Calvados, and Apple)

This recipe calls for a rather large skillet. We tested it in a heavy paella pan, about 15 inches in diameter. Lacking a pan of that size, we suggest using a heavy roasting pan placing it over 2 burners.

12 scaloppine, ⅜ inch thick, not pounded
3 sweet apples
Juice 2 lemons
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
Flour
4 tablespoons (½ stick) butter
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
⅓ cup Calvados or applejack (about)
1½ cups heavy cream

Peel and core the apples, then cut into rather small cubes. Place in a bowl, add the lemon juice, and mix thoroughly so the apple is well coated. Sprinkle the veal with salt and pepper, then flour. Shake off any excess.

Heat the butter and oil in a large, heavy skillet. When hot, add the veal, a few pieces at a time, and sauté until lightly browned on both sides. Approximately 5 minutes on each side. As the veal is cooked, set aside.

Add the apples, juice, and Calvados to the pan. Scrape up all the encrustations on the pan and cook over moderate heat, stirring frequently, for about 4 minutes. Add the cream and continue cooking until the mixture has turned to a delicious ivory color.

Reduce the heat and cook, stirring frequently, until the cream has reduced to about half and the sauce coats a spoon. Taste for salt. You will probably need about ½ teaspoon. Return the pieces of veal to the pan just long enough to make them piping hot. Further cooking will toughen the meat.

Arrange the veal attractively on a heated platter and spoon the sauce over all. Serves 6. Serve with Endive Meunière (endive with *beurre noisettes* mixed with minced parsley and lemon juice) on separate heated plates.

The wine, a Mâcon Vire 1966, very dry, from southern Burgundy just north of Pouilly-Fuissé.

Ossi Buchi alla Gremolata
(Braised Veal Shanks)

6 pounds veal shank or shin, sawed into pieces 2 inches long
4 tablespoons butter
½ cup olive oil (about)
Flour
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
2 large (or 4 small) onions, peeled, finely chopped
1 large (or 2 small) carrot, peeled, finely chopped
1 large rib celery, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
Sage
Dried rosemary
2 cups dry white wine
2 pounds very ripe tomatoes, peeled, seeded, coarsely chopped; or 1 can (1 pound, 12-ounce size) whole peeled tomatoes, drained, coarsely chopped
1 can (10½-ounce size) condensed beef or chicken broth
Few stalks parsley
1 bay leaf
The gremolata:
Grated rind 1 lemon
Handful parsley sprigs, minced
1 clove garlic, minced

Important: Have the butcher *saw* the bones, rather than cut them, so the marrow will remain in the bones; and be sure the shanks have plenty of meat. Choose a heavy fireproof casserole (good-looking enough to serve from), with a cover, that will just accommodate the shanks standing upright. This keeps the marrow inside while the shanks cook.

Melt the butter in a skillet with *4 tablespoons of oil*. Roll the shanks in flour; brown on all sides a few at a time in the hot fat. Season with salt and pepper. Add more oil if necessary. Set shanks aside as they are browned.

Add remaining oil to the casserole. When hot, add the onions, carrot, celery, and garlic. Cook over moderate heat just long

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The Host's Corner

In search of tequila

After you leave Guadalajara, heading west in Mexico's state of Jalisco, start sniffing. You'll soon sense a sweet fragrance in the hot Mexican breeze. If the wind is in the right direction, you're approaching Tequila, the pueblo that has lent its name to our fastest-growing drink.

Tequila is an unprepossessing town of about 23,000, with no less than 28 distilleries for the production of tequila—and nothing else. Everyone in town, except the police and perhaps the telephone girls and the schoolteachers, work in tequila.

Most Americans have become acquainted with tequila by meeting Margarita, *the* tequila drink that started only ten years ago "no bigger than a man's hand," and is now becoming the biggest cloud on the spirits horizon.

Margarita

The time-honored recipe for a Margarita calls for a jigger (1½ oz.) of tequila, a third of a jigger (½ oz.) of Triple Sec or Cointreau, one oz. of fresh lemon or lime juice, and lots of ice. And the traditional service demands that you moisten the rim of the glass with a lemon or lime slice and dip it into salt to frost it.

This sour-sweet drink was first introduced in Los Angeles. It is credited to Young's Market, a West Coast beverage wholesaler reputed to have launched many now-popular drinks, from the Moscow Mule to the Screwdriver. Calvert and Heublein put up Margaritas as ready-mixed cocktails a few years ago and were amazed when it took its place—along with Martinis, Manhattans, and Sours—in the first four!

Tequila itself was for a long time a bit too much for most American palates—harsh, salty-bitter—until better distilling methods and government supervision took out the rough spots. It used to be a TV cliché: The hero in a Western movie drinks from a bottle marked tequila; he swallows, his hair stands on end, his eyes boggle, he exhales smoke. That image kept many of us from even trying tequila. In those days it was spelled "tequilla," and we didn't even know how to pronounce it.

What is tequila, actually? I learned about it in the Mexican village itself. I was welcomed at one of the distilleries by Sr. Juan Sanchez with a "*buenas tardes*," a wide smile, and a bottle of tequila. In traditional fashion, he sprinkled salt in the V formed by his left thumb and forefinger and picked up a jigger of tequila in the same hand. His right hand reached for a slice of lemon. He sucked at the lemon, flicked at the salt with his tongue, and downed the tequila. I did the same. Not bad!

"Now," said my host, "let us go see the makings."

Where the action is

We climbed into his car and drove along the narrow streets lined with open-front stores and adobe walls, out into the countryside, dodging donkeys with men aboard, heading for the plantings of blue mescal or agave plant, source of tequila. We passed fields of corn and lovely wild marigolds. Off to the left reared the cone of an extinct volcano, Sierra de la Teta. Everywhere was mescal—high cactuslike plants with blue-green stiff leaves—which must be left to grow for eight to 14 years before being harvested.

Men were working in the fields, wielding what resembled a half-shovel. "*Coa*," explained my friend Sanchez. "With it they weed between the plants. More important, they lop off the top leaves with small knives so that the heart will grow larger. It's the heart that stores the juices and sugars that make tequila. The best mescal grows high up—2,000 feet or more, where there is more sun."

The hearts of the plants, when matured, are cut out, then donkey-borne to pickup stations and carted off to the distilleries by truck. It sounded easy until Sr. Sanchez added: "They weigh 100 to 400 pounds each!"

He also told me the story of "turquilla," the original Aztec Indian name of both the drink and the village. Lightning, they say, once struck a mescal bush and "cooked" it. Attracted by the sweetish smell, the Indians experimented with the juices and let some of it ferment. That's how pulque, a raw primitive beverage

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—the new-old spirit

much favored by the Mexicans, was born. Tequila isn't pulque, but a refined and aged derivative obtained by distillation.

We went back to the *destilatorio*. In the courtyard were mounds of mescal hearts, looking like so many huge pineapples. The ovens were right at hand. Workmen cut the hearts into big chunks and toss them into the steel or concrete baking ovens to cook for 12 to 24 hours. The sweetish smell of cooking mescal is a bit sickening—like too many candied yams at Thanksgiving. (Pieces of cooked mescal are sold on the streets to be eaten as candy—sugar content is as high as 29 percent.) The steaming or cooking process does one very simple thing: "It turns the sugars you can't make alcohol out of to sugars you *can* make alcohol out of!"

After cooking and cooling, the sticky chunks are conveyed by belt to presses that extract the juices. In order to ferment, the juice must be thinned with distilled water to bring it to the proper dilution for yeasts to do their work. These yeasts are very important, just as they are in making wine or Bourbon, and are carefully bred from the wild, natural yeasts that incubate on the mescal plants. They are carefully cultured, and only the best strains are used.

The fermentation lasts 72 hours. In the old days, skilled tasters used to keep tabs on the lots by pouring some from one cow's horn to another; when it bubbled, they watched the "head." If it lasted, the mix was good! Today, rigorous quality controls do a better job.

After fermentation, the juice goes to the distilling vats. Pot stills are used, as in making Lowland Malt Scotches and Irish whiskeys. (A still converts the alcohol and some of the water into vapor, which wafts off from the residue and then precipitates back into liquid.) The first distillation results in a 40-proof liquid (which means it has 20 percent alcohol). A second produces the final —a 104-proof liquid. This is diluted with distilled water to 92 proof for Mexico, 88 proof for us.

The aging of tequila was once a matter of considerable argument and discussion. The old, heavy, Mexican-consumed drink was not much improved by aging. Hence it was, and is, drunk immediately. But today's tequila is much different, and aging does change it considerably. Six months to two years is the range, during which time the tequila reposes in small barrels. The wood mellows the liquid, and the result is a lighter, smoother, milder drink, of high quality, excellent flavor, and slightly amber color.

There are perhaps 60 brands of tequila made in Mexico. Many are not for us and stay home to slake, or incinerate, local thirsts. We need only cope with a dozen or so. Most of these have the new PGN device on the label—the government's "standard of purification" award. José Cuervo is the oldest (dating from about 1800), the largest, and the pathfinder. Now there is Sauza, Pepe Lopez, El Toro, Galavan, Arandos, and the new Mariachi.

While the Margarita is still *the* drink, new tequila concoctions are breaking out all over. The most significant is probably the Sangrita. In Mexico City you will be mystified when you first see the waiter waltz by with a tray sporting four small glasses. That's a Sangrita! One contains tequila; one, lime slices; one, salt; and one, Sangrita, a sort of sweet, spicy tomato juice. (Here's how to make Sangrita: juice of six oranges and three limes, one 12-oz. can of tomato juice, one tsp. sugar, four drops Tabasco, dash pepper, dash salt. That's enough for quite a few drinks—and it keeps.) You bite the lime, down the tequila, lick the salt, and douse the fire with Sangrita. If this strikes you as a lot of ritual, you can drink the Sangrita by pouring 1½ oz. tequila and 1½ oz. Sangrita into a wine glass, with ice. That's all.

Tequila's biggest boost came during last summer's Olympics. Americans poured into Mexico, eager to try all the specialties of this exotic clime, including the national drink. Many brought back tequila and a taste for more. Have you tried it? ■



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enough for the vegetables to take on a little color. Give them an occasional stir.

Add the shanks, standing up; season lightly with sage and rosemary. Cover the casserole and simmer for about 15 minutes. Then add the wine, tomatoes, broth, parsley, and bay leaf.

Can be prepared to this point and set aside for final cooking.

Bring to a boil, reduce heat to simmer, cover tightly, and cook for approximately 1 hour or until the meat is tender when pierced with a fork. (Take care not to overcook.) Remove and discard the parsley and bay leaf.

Mix up the lemon rind, minced parsley, and garlic to make the *gremolata*, a regional term meaning garnish, and sprinkle over the meat just before presenting the dish. Serves about 6.

Traditionally, *ossi buchi* are served with *risotto milanese* or simply pasta dressed with butter and perhaps freshly grated Parmesan. Artichokes, served cold with a sauce vinaigrette or mayonnaise, made with lemon juice, would follow nicely.

The wine, a Johannisberger Riesling 1964, considered the greatest white wine produced in New York State. From the vineyards of Dr. Konstantin Frank.

Calf's Liver with Sauce Bercy

12 slices calf's liver, sliced ⅜ inch thick
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
All-purpose flour
Butter
Vegetable oil

Dry the pieces of liver thoroughly with paper towels, season with salt and pepper, then roll in flour, shaking off any excess.

The skillet used to sauté the liver should be just large enough to fit the source of heat, and the pan should not be crowded. Leave at least ¼ inch between slices.

With all that in mind, add about 2 tablespoons of butter and 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil to the pan. When hot, and the foam is subsiding, add the prepared liver slices and sauté for 2 or 3 minutes. Take care that the butter remains hot but does not burn. Turn the liver with a spatula, not a fork, and sauté for 1 minute on the second side. Add more butter and oil in the same proportions as it is needed. Lift the cooked liver to a heated platter and keep warm while sautéing the remainder.

Sauce Bercy

1½ cups dry white wine
6 or 8 shallots, minced very fine
¾ cup canned beef gravy
Salt
Freshly ground black pepper
¼ cup softened butter
Juice ½ lemon, or to taste
10 sprigs parsley, finely minced

Combine the wine and shallots in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil and boil until there is about ¾ cup left. Stir in the gravy and season to taste with salt and pepper.

Take off the heat; stir in the butter, lemon juice, and parsley. Spoon some of the sauce over the sautéed liver and serve the remainder in a heated sauceboat.

Freshly boiled potatoes are the perfect vegetable with Calf's Liver and Sauce Bercy, followed by Belgian endive dressed with sauce vinaigrette.

The wine, a Louis Martini Cabernet Sauvignon, light but sturdy. From the Napa Valley.

Veau Sylvie
(Veal Roasted with Ham and Cheese)

In this fascinating recipe, which is adapted from *Mastering the Art of French Cooking**, the meat is marinated, then stuffed with slices of ham and cheese. But when sliced, the stuffing appears to have melted into the veal. The flavor is perfectly delicious and the result makes a flawless presentation for a party of 10 or 12.

One 5-pound boneless roast of veal in one solid piece, in a loaf shape
½ cup Cognac
½ cup Madeira
2 tablespoons olive oil
2 medium carrots, peeled and sliced thin
3 medium onions, peeled and sliced thin
Salt
Herb bouquet: 6 stalks parsley, 1 bay leaf, ½ teaspoon thyme, 6 peppercorns. All tied in a cheesecloth bag
4 tablespoons (½ stick) butter
2 tablespoons vegetable oil
½ pound large slices boiled ham, 1/16 inch thick

large slices Swiss cheese, 1/16 inch thick
freshly ground pepper
several strips fat bacon

First step: With a good sharp carving knife, make a series of deep, parallel cuts the full length of the roast, 1 to 1½ inches apart and within 1 inch of each end and about ½ inch of the bottom. Now combine the Cognac, Madeira, olive oil, carrots, onions, *1 tablespoon salt*, and the herb bouquet in a large polyethylene bag. Place the meat in the bag, tie securely, then place in a roasting pan (in case of leakage). Marinate for at least six hours or overnight. Turn the bag as often as possible so the meat will be well soaked with the marinade.

Second step: Remove the meat and strain the marinade. Discard the herb bouquet. Reserve both vegetables and marinade. Scrape off all vegetables clinging to the roast, and add to the strained vegetables. Combine the butter and vegetable oil in a large, heavy casserole. Place over a moderate heat, add the vegetables from the marinade, and cook for 5 minutes. Set aside.

Third step: Dry the meat thoroughly with paper towels. To stuff, fold 1 slice of ham between 2 slices of cheese and lay into each of the deep gashes in the meat. If the cuts do not seem deep enough, cut a little deeper. With all the cuts filled, using strong white string, tie the roast securely from one end to the other with loops of white string, an inch apart. Chances are the roast won't look very neat but you can relax, because by some magic it will all goes together in the cooking.

Fourth step: Push the vegetables to one side in the casserole. Turn the heat to moderately high and add the veal, bottom side down, and allow it to brown in the hot fat for 5 minutes. Baste with the butter and oil. Preheat the oven to 450° for 15 minutes. Place the casserole in the upper third of the oven for 15 to 20 minutes, or long enough to brown the tops and sides of the meat lightly. Baste with the butter every 4 or 5 minutes.

Fifth step: Pour the marinade into a small saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat. Boil rapidly to reduce to one-third its volume. Sprinkle the top of the roast with salt and freshly ground pepper. Lay slices of bacon crosswise down the whole length of the roast. Add the marinade. Cover the meat with foil, add the lid, and place in the lower third of a 325° oven.

Roast for about 2½ hours or until a meat thermometer registers 170°, basting 3 or 4 times. Once cooked, place on a warm platter and allow the meat to rest 20 minutes before serving.

To make the sauce, siphon almost all the fat from the juices in the casserole, then place over a moderate heat and cook, scraping up any coagulated juices from the bottom and sides, and mashing the vegetables into the liquid. Boil rapidly until liquid is reduced to about 1 cup. Strain into a hot gravy boat.

Serve with potatoes sautéed in butter, or buttered noodles or *potatoes dauphinois* (see House Beautiful, April 1967) with either glazed carrots or sautéed mushrooms.

The wine, a Volnay Clos des Ducs 1962. It has an extremely rich bouquet that would not overpower this interesting dish.

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*Poitrine de Veau Farcie aux Olives**
(Breast of Veal Stuffed with Olives)

This dish goes to show how a little extra trouble with a relatively inexpensive cut of meat repays the cook amply. Since the veal is served cold, it should be prepared a day ahead.

4 pounds breast of veal, boned
2 slices firm white bread
Milk
About 2 handfuls parsley sprigs, minced
2 cloves garlic, minced
Good pinch dried basil
10 ripe pitted olives, drained, coarsely chopped
¼ pound lean pork, minced
Several twists of the peppermill
Several gratings of fresh nutmeg
1 egg, well beaten
4 tablespoons olive oil
1 onion, peeled, finely chopped
2 fresh tomatoes, skinned, seeded, coarsely chopped
1 cup dry white wine
Salt

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When you buy the meat, make sure the butcher gives you the bones so you will have a good jelly to garnish the dish.

Cover the bread with milk and allow it to soak. Then squeeze dry. Combine thoroughly with the parsley, garlic, basil, olives, pork, pepper, and nutmeg. Work in the egg. All best done with your hands. Spread the mixture over the meat, leaving about 2 inches at each end and an inch down each side. Roll up like a big sausage, then tie in several places very securely with white string. Heat *2 tablespoons of the oil* in a large, heavy casserole. When hot, brown the meat on all sides. Set casserole with meat aside.

Heat remaining oil in a skillet. When hot, add the onion and brown lightly. Then add the tomatoes and wine. Bring up to a boil. Cook for about 5 minutes to reduce the liquid a little. Stir in *1 cup of water*. Add to the casserole.

Sprinkle the meat with salt and arrange the bones around the meat. Cover with wax paper, then add the lid of the casserole. Place in a preheated 325° oven for about 2 hours, until the meat is tender when pierced with a fork or reaches 170° on a meat thermometer. Refrigerate immediately, without a cover, until the meat has cooled. Lift the meat from the casserole and wrap securely in Saran or foil. Refrigerate.

Strain the juices; discard bones and vegetables. Refrigerate the juices in a flat dish. When cold and jellied, remove the fat and discard. Chop the jelly into fairly small dice. To serve, cut the meat in very, very thin slices, arrange on a platter; surround with the chopped jelly.

A good salad, such as a mixture of Boston lettuce, chopped scallions, Bibb, and a fresh herb such as basil, all tossed in a Sauce Vinaigrette, along with some crusty bread, would be a good companion. Serves 8 to 10.

The wine, a Sanscerre 1966, a delightful wine, rich and full, from the Loire Valley.

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Marmitta de Vitella al Limone
(Veal and Lemon Casserole)

4 tablespoons olive oil
2 pounds veal scaloppine (abou 10 pieces), ¼ inch thick, not pounded
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
Juice 1 lemon
1 whole lemon, sliced thin
1 teaspoon arrowroot, about

Choose a heavy ovenproof ca serole with a cover, that is ju large enough to hold the veal.

Sprinkle the bottom with *1 t blespoon of the oil*. Cover th bottom with a layer of the mea season with salt and pepper, the sprinkle with *1 tablespoon of th oil, 1 of lemon juice* and *add couple of lemon slices*. Repe until you have used all the i gredients. Seal with double-du foil, then cover tightly and coo in a preheated 300° oven unt the meat is very tender whe tested with a fork. About 2 hour

Carefully lift the slices of ve with a spatula onto a heate platter and arrange overlappin the length of the platter. Discar lemon slices. Keep veal warm.

Place the casserole back ov a high heat and reduce the liqu to about ¾ cup. Mix together teaspoon of arrowroot wi enough cold water to make smooth paste. Stir into the ca serole and cook over low hea stirring constantly, until th sauce has thickened very lightl Strain and spoon over the mea Garnish with lemon wedges an parsley. Serves 4 to 6.

Serve with mashed potato seasoned lightly with fine minced garlic and whipped t gether with heavy cream. Cooke broccoli served cold with Souf Mayonnaise, page 126, follov this nicely.

The wine, a Ravello Rosa C ruso. This is the pink wine th all Americans ask for after a tr to Italy.

Geschnetzeltes Kalbfleisch
(Minced Veal in Cream)

3 pounds veal, cut from the leg
8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter
5 or 6 shallots or green onion bulbs, peeled, minced
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
1½ teaspoon salt
Good pinch freshly ground whi pepper

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¼ cup canned beef gravy
5 to 8 sprigs parsley, minced

Have the butcher flatten the pieces of meat to a thickness of about ¼ inch. Then you, or he, cut the meat against the grain in strips ¼ inch wide by 1½ inches long. In other words, *julienne*. Place the veal in a saucepan, cover with cold water, and bring up to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer 2 minutes exactly. Take off the heat, drain, and wash quickly under cold water. Dry thoroughly with paper towels.

Heat the butter in a large, heavy skillet until it foams. Add the shallots and cook until soft and lightly tinged with gold. About 3 minutes. Add the veal and cook over low heat, stirring frequently with a wooden spatula, until the meat has absorbed all the butter. Sprinkle with the flour, salt, and pepper.

Add the hot wine, cream, and gravy, and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until the mixture thickens lightly. Pour into a heated serving dish and garnish with the parsley. Serves 6.

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Some revealing facts about veal

First of all, the best veal is the meat from a young milk-fed animal, between 5 and 12 weeks old. The flesh is firm, smooth, fine-grained, and a very pale pink color. After 12 weeks, it is no longer considered veal but rather "baby" beef and as that distinguished cookbook, *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*, points out, "It is of no further *culinary* interest until it develops into beef."

At whatever age the animal leaves its milk diet and starts in on grain and/or grass, its flesh becomes increasingly rosy. When it is 3 to 5 months old the flesh ranges in color from pink to light red, at which point "it has," as "Mastering" says, "lost its delicacy, flavor, and milk-fed tenderness."

In this same book the authors suggest that interested cooks "train themselves when shopping for veal to look carefully at its color. Once you are aware of what good-quality veal should look like, you can avoid the reddish meat." It should be noted here that because veal comes from a very young animal, it has little or no "marbling"—that is, fat. But what exterior fat there is is white and firm.

Considered the ultimate viand in terms of the average French chef—veal has always been more prized in Europe than in this country—undoubtedly because the quality of the meat of these milk-fed animals is so exceptional. Today, however, thanks to two dedicated New York meatmen, Herbert and William Berliner, who turned a hobby into an enterprise, we have *Plume de Veau*



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Like all other meats, veal is inspected by the USDA and graded as Prime, Choice, or Good. Broadly speaking, prime, the highest grade, is usually

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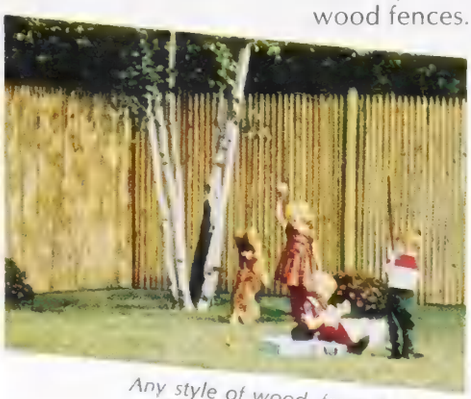
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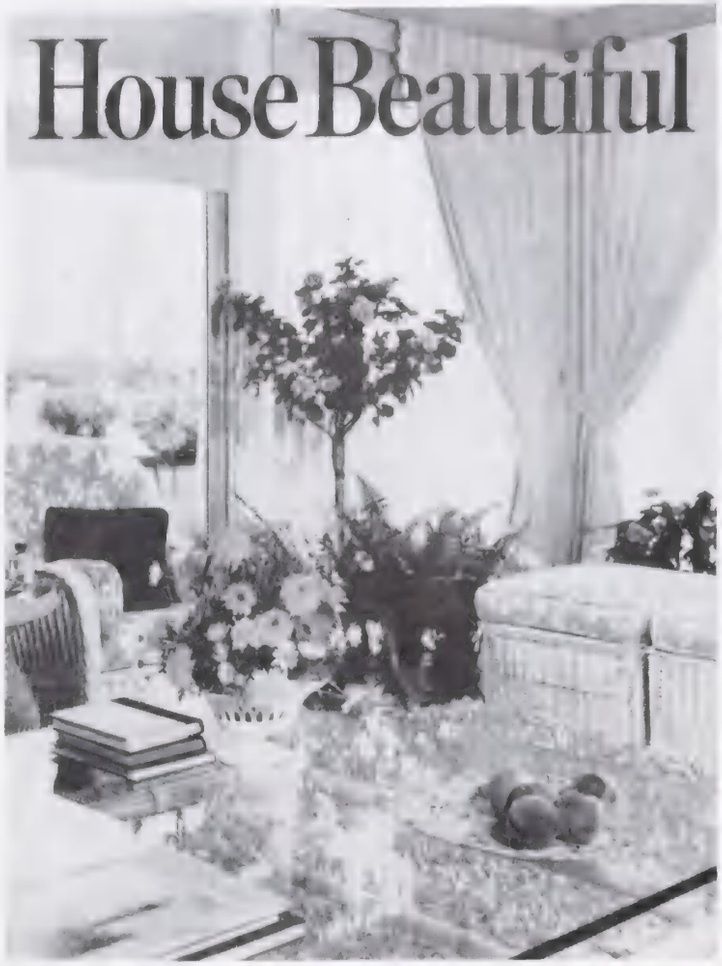
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The subject is veal

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available to the consumer only in independent meat markets (first-rate restaurants serve prime meat, of course); choice in most supermarkets.

In cooking veal, it is well to remember that in general it is always cooked "well done." Braising—which simply means cooking in liquid on top of the stove or in the oven—can be used for almost every cut, although certain cuts can be roasted successfully and others can also be pan-fried. Only the best-quality veal, brushed generously with butter, can be broiled successfully.

Clearing up some confusing terminology

What we in the U.S. call veal cutlets, usually sold in American supermarkets as round steak, are scallops or collops (a corruption of the French *escalope*) in England; *escalopes* in France; *scaloppe*, *scaloppine* or *piccate* in Italy. In this country such authoritative books as *James A. Beard's Cook Book* calls them scallopine, in agreement with *Joy of Cooking*; and *Mastering the Art of French Cooking* translates *Escalopes de Veau* into veal scallops; while *The New Good Housekeeping Cookbook* uses the Italian spelling, *scaloppine*.

What the English call veal cutlets, we in this country call veal chops (either loin or rib); the French, *côtes de veau*, and the Italians, *costolette*.

About calf's liver

Correctly the meat should be called veal liver rather than calf's, and Mr. William Berliner, of *Plume de Veau* fame, agreeing with Mrs. Elizabeth David, tells us that first-quality veal liver is so tender "you can push your finger through it." The color of liver depends on how the calf has been fed and butchered. Neither color nor size has anything to do with the quality. In buying liver, always make sure the butcher has removed the filaments or skin. ■

Décors of sound

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like to sit with my back to it." There's a clear recipe for how art comes to be made. But it doesn't define art.

□ A decade ago I felt that music's definition, for the first time ever, wanted enlarging. For the young it had come to fill logical, not emotional, needs. I could not deny, but resented, the evolution because my own musical language remained "expressive"—a dirty word in those days.

Emotion in music is whatever you call it. Better still, whatever reaction music provokes may be called emotion, even though some listeners claim to be "mathematically satisfied." (One wonders, then, what *math* does for them?) Now, the kind of music and the kind of reaction alter with the needs of each generation, although the cause-and-effect relation remains invariable. What Mahler supplied 50 years ago, today is easily caricatured when our needs are met by electronics.

□ Are our needs indeed met by electronics? It seems more than coincidence that while the new dizzying fertility of science was being mistranslated by musicians into the overcomplicatedly inactive cerebration of formal concerts that nobody would admit were just plain boring, the Beatles reared their welcome heads.

Music is a symbol, which is just another word for theatre, which in turn means a distillation of life. Symbols, distillations, to be communicated take discipline. Much of today's music, in its attempt to represent chaos, has itself become chaos. Chaos cannot effectively symbolize chaos.

I myself compose simply, less because of, than despite, the complexity around me. I always have, being by nature neither follower nor leader. Yet I never thought of this simplicity as an antidote, though perhaps it has finally come to be that; perhaps a mirror as well, inasmuch as rock also has reverted to simplicity

while representing—more than any other cultural emphasis—the "times."

☐ So good old emotion in its subtlest embodiment is returning to music, and the music in turn returns to our parlors on phonograph records. Brought about full cycle, the home is once again the scene.

But the music is no longer an accompaniment, it is accompanied by lights and a bath of sensuality. Scriabin would have been delighted by what is happening.

☐ The Happening. Supposedly this new art, which by definition happens but once, is meant to alter your notion of yourself, to change you. But what do you use for art after you've changed?

The Happening's activity may be, if anything, philosophical or religious, a community worship, group therapy—a plurality. For me, art's singular. Change us? The greatest—Bach, Rembrandt—never made such a claim. Indeed, they never made claims, except perhaps to serve. The wider today's claims, the narrower the product. Much current art is merely advertisement: to be moved by it is to *pretend* to be moved.

☐ Music's impact upon the senses is less dependent than, say, painting's, upon the visual surroundings, despite the sumptuous discomfort at the Comtesse de Polignac's. Nevertheless, a painting in a museum is not the same as the same painting at home. (Nothing's the same when we bring it home—a person or a picture.)

Nor is the fashionable contention valid that all sound is music and that all ways of hearing are musical, for though this might stimulate the consciousness and render the concert hall nicely arbitrary, it would also render the concert literally endless and drive us all mad. Where's the control here for the harmonious emotional environment, the discipline of art? As a composer, I need silence.

☐ Reading of Fauré's anguish at oncoming deafness made me wonder how that predicament would affect me. Certainly I'd relinquish music before sight; the enjoyment of music is overbalanced by the torture of sound. Deafness, what's more, might make me a better, a more *considering* composer. There'd be less facile-lush sounds and more dictates of the inner ear. Though what's wrong with facile-lush sounds? And who can prove the inner ear is more perceptive than the outer?

☐ With self-indulgent contradictions through these random notes I've gradually changed the tune from the one assigned to a variation on the one that most concerns me—the state of today's music and my place within it.

I am not an author who happens to compose, but a composer who happens to write. If this paragraph is never completed but dissolves right now, will anyone (myself included) ever really care? However, if this afternoon I improvise a strand of melody, tomorrow and over the following days that strand may lengthen and continually double back upon itself to weave a slow carpet of music which never never never before existed. These words are anybody's. But the musical carpet, no matter how dreadful the pattern, is mine, and will remain always faithfully on the floor of my private room. ■





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Exterior light fixtures, EDISON PRICE. Terrace furniture designed by Richard Schultz, KNOLL ASSOCIATES. Interior walls, "SHEETROCK," U.S. GYPSUM.

Entry: Raised panel entry doors designed by architect with ZIEZZ. Lever door handles, GENERAL LOCK. Slate flooring, BUCKINGHAM SLATE CO. Cane chairs, "CANDY APPLE," THE DOOR STORE, M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. Light fixtures here and in stairwell, EDISON PRICE. Plastic dome over stairwell, APCO.

Living room: Sofa, leather side chair by Pollock, KNOLL. Chairs, love seat, bars—all by Sergio Mazza; coffee table by Emma Gismondi, THE STORE, LTD., 1258 Wisconsin Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. Bolivian wool carpet, DESIGN RESEARCH, 57 Brattle St., Cambridge, Mass. Windows: black anodized aluminum sliding doors, LUMIDOR MFG. CORP.

Dining room: Rosewood table, Brno chairs by Mies van der Rohe, KNOLL. Custom-designed bay windows, HOPE'S WINDOWS. Light fixtures, EDISON PRICE. Arzburg china, H. E. LAUFFER. Crystal, PASCO. Light fixtures, EDISON PRICE. Striped painting by Sam Gilliam, Lucite sculpture by Rockne Krebs, courtesy of BYRON GALLERY, 1018 Madison Ave., N.Y.C. Painting between bays, by V.V. Rankine, courtesy of JEFFERSON PLACE GALLERY, 2144 P St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

Kitchen: Stove, WASTE KING. Hood and exhaust fan, BROAN. Oven, THERMADOR. Refrigerator, GENERAL ELECTRIC. Stainless-steel sink, ELKAY. Dishwasher, KITCHENAID. Vinyl flooring, "CORLON," ARMSTRONG CORK CO. Light fixtures, EDISON PRICE and SILVRAY-LITECRAFT CORP. Saarinen table, KNOLL.

Bedroom: Mari fabric for panels and bedspread, THE STORE, LTD. Maltese wool rug, DESIGN RESEARCH. Antique bentwood chair by Thonet.

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The Hammond Stroll Garden, located in North Salem in Westchester County, New York, is open to visitors May 21-Oct. 26. Associated with the Garden is The Hammond Museum, open until Dec. 21, with special exhibitions this year on needlepoint and our cultural heritage from Scotland. The museum also houses the Natalie Hays Hammond collection of art and art objects.

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Living room: Plaid Belgian linen fabric, ARTHUR H. LEE & SONS. Floor tiles, COUNTRY FLOORS, 300 E. 61st St., N.Y.C.

Terrace: Furniture, DANTE METAL SPECIALTIES.

Toile bedroom: Toile, BRUNSCHWIG & FILS. Rug from Peru.

Farm room: Blue-and-white fabric, EVERFAST.

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Stainless-steel double ovens, dishwasher, freezer, HOTPOINT. Warming drawer, six-burner cooktop, TRADE WIND oven hood and fan, all THERMADOR. Plastic laminate for cabinets ("BARNWOOD"), and countertops ("PRIMROSE"), FORMICA. Refrigerator, REVCO. Custom stainless-steel sink and countertop, RYAN MFG. CO. Faucet, DELTA FAUCET. Vinyl flooring, "TRAVERTINE," AMTICO. Custom tiles around cooktop designed and fired by CAROL JANEWAY. Ceiling beams, TOWN & COUNTRY BEAMS MFG. Casement windows in ponderosa pine, ANDERSEN CORP. Custom kitchen cabinets, CUSTOM KITCHENS. Door pulls on cabinets—copies of old butter molds, OLD BUTTERMOLD PATENT SHOP, Wiscasset, Maine. Bar seats, HAMILTON-COSCO. Electric coffee grinder, KITCHENAID. Toaster, "THE CONTINENTAL," BRAUN. Coffee maker, "ELECTROMATIC," CORNING GLASS. Can opener, "CAN-O-MATIC," RIVAL. Tin lamps by Donn Sheets.

The young optics here and now

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Groovy color: DESIGN RESEARCH fabric at store 3. GEORG JENSEN sofa and coffee table at store 3. FOUNDERS standing shelves at stores 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 17. LANE chest at stores 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15, 17, 18. CRAWFORD hassock at stores 3, 7, 9, 12, 14, 18. TRI-MARK mirror at stores 3, 8, 15. OZITE carpet tiles at stores 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 15, 18. REGAL'S Caprolan rug at stores 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 15, 17. BEYLERIAN table lamp at stores 3, 5. MATSUSHITA PANASONIC TV-radio at stores 1, 3, 7, 10, 14, 15, 18. PANASONIC AM-FM stereo at stores 1, 3, 6, 7, 12, 15, 18. BEYLERIAN accessories at stores 3, 5, 14, 18.

Geometry: SELIG lounge chair at stores 9, 12, 13, 15, 17. COMFY pillow in chair at store 7. KROEHLER "FUN TOWER" at store 4. LAUREL lamp at stores 5, 6, 11, 15, 17. BEYLERIAN accessories at stores 5, 14. ELMER KLEIN serving table at stores 1, 3, 7. SINGER sewing machine at stores 6, 14. VIRTUE director's chair at stores 4, 12, 15. CABIN CRAFTS rug at stores 2, 4, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16. BLOOMCRAFT fabric at stores 2, 4, 5, 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18.

Love wicker: CALIF-ASIA wicker lounge chair, side chair, and stool at stores 4, 5, 13, 15. BROYHILL dining table at stores 4, 7, 10, 13. DIXIE mirror at stores 13, 15. BEYLERIAN mirror, bowl, lamp, and tables at stores 5, 14. COMFY pillows at store 7. HOMESTEAD drapery fabric at store 18. LUDLOW carpet, store 1.

Light: the revealing dimension

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equipment, and dimming—the chance to use certain lights for certain purposes, or only one, or all of them: the chance to control light intensity.

House Beautiful: Don't you find clients are concerned over a fixed source of light? Suppose they want to change the furniture arrangement for which the light was planned? Or move an art piece that is spotlighted?

Shemitz: If we can predict a change, we plan for it. I would say, though, that it's rare to find more than two arrangements of furniture possible in any one space. Generally, there's only one. But if someone wants totally flexible space, then we'll design a totally flexible lighting system. I can tell you now that it will be more costly. A compromise somewhere might be wiser.

In the case of an art piece, let me begin by saying I don't like to light a painting or sculpture with a narrow spot, leaving everything around it dark. I try to treat the whole wall first, as I do for museums. When a piece is very large—a tapestry, for example—the owners generally know precisely where it's going to hang. I feel then that I have a responsibility to bring out the very best in the work, with as much lighting as it takes.

House Beautiful: And when the owners sell their house, how will the new residents adapt to these fixed spots?

Shemitz: Let me cite a specific job, where I installed three pinpoint adjustable units in the ceiling to highlight vivid colors in a large tapestry. Those units are adjustable through a 360° rotation, and about a 30° vertical travel. We could zero in on a smaller painting, or two or three, or a large group of art pieces. There is a great deal of latitude in "fixed" lighting.

House Beautiful: Do you try to maintain such flexibility throughout the house?

Shemitz: No. Some architectural elements are important, as is, and of course they aren't going to change. Truly fixed lighting works there, no matter who the owners are.

House Beautiful: Getting back to the living areas, how do you feel about portable lamps here, or, for that matter, anywhere in the house?

Shemitz: I think it's been proved in my experience that if the home is well lighted, the requirement for portable lamps is very small. What I tell my clients is to put off the purchase of portable lamps until well after they move into the house.

House Beautiful: But you do admit there are cases where a lamp is acceptable in the scheme of planned lighting?

Shemitz: . . . and desirable.

House Beautiful: How do you react to the new portables: the frosted globes and subtle glows of kinetic light?

Shemitz: I think of those as sculptures—light sculptures—and quite delightful.

House Beautiful: All right. Let's move to the dining room.

Shemitz: Picture the usual first: a chandelier over the table, and wall sconces. No dimming. You know if you've been in such a room that it's uncomfortable to sit there for any length of time. The brightness of the chandelier is disturbing to the eye, and the point sources of brightness from the sconces is disturbing, too.

Now imagine the same scene, helped along with some downlights that "wash" walls with light to produce a pleasant ambient glow, plus downlights to make special areas luminous, such as a side table with silver service. Then we dim the sconces and chandelier, so that in place of glare, we get sparkle. That's a delightful experience. And there are many other moods possible in a dining room with variable lighting.

House Beautiful: And the bedroom?

Shemitz: I think a reasonable degree of flexibility here is in order. For example, if someone is home during an extended period of illness, he should be comfortable staying in that space: good ambient light to balance the sun streaming through the windows, and comfortable light for reading or writing at all times. Since children's rooms are going to double as studies, these must be carefully lighted to serve both

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purposes efficiently.

House Beautiful: Any special requirement for a dressing alcove?

Shemitz: A woman ought to be able to dress in light that resembles the light in which she'll be seen when she goes out. This is terribly important.

House Beautiful: And for make-up?

Shemitz: The make-up table is a critical area. I think you should give a woman the choice there of flat (fluorescent), or incandescent illumination—and the incandescent at a relatively low key—in the interest of gaining some color and modeling.

House Beautiful: What of the bath?

Shemitz: First, being the selfish male I am, I think of shaving. When I shave, I want light under my chin, as well as over my head, modeling my whole face and hair. Over-all illumination—a luminous ceiling, for example—will do this. Such general lighting is fine for the female member of the family, too. However, if she intends to use the bath for making up, she should have the same choice of light as for a dressing alcove.

House Beautiful: What can be done with good lighting in a kitchen?

Shemitz: The first criterion is to be able to see what you're doing. For example, if you're cleaning spinach in the sink, you ought to have enough light right there to see if the leaves are sandy.

The one thing I hate to see, and what I always try to avoid, is the center ceiling light (unless there's a center work area). This is where light is required least, and it's usually where the light is placed. Light should be at the perimeter. That's where the activity is. Also, there's a need for a higher intensity of light in a kitchen. And another point: Installed light must be balanced against the reflectivity of surfaces in the kitchen. A dark wood finish may be regal in appearance, but a kitchen so decorated is a devil to light. You need a certain amount of reflectivity, and dark surfaces just eat up light.

House Beautiful: I understand you've spoken before of the importance of balancing light between rooms. Would you elaborate?

Shemitz: It's really vital to consider the lighting in one space as it relates to adjoining space. You want to feel comfortable when you enter a room, and again when you leave.

For example, it's a disturbing shock to be sitting in a dining room filled with low-key lighting, and see the kitchen door swing open to a blast of high-intensity light. This should be balanced, either by controlling the light or architecturally.

House Beautiful: Is there a final comment you'd like to make?

Shemitz: I think good, carefully planned lighting in a home can genuinely enrich one's life.

Next, we talked to John Maguire of Pittsburgh, a man who is as much a light sculptor as a lighting designer. Several of his pieces are in national museums now.

House Beautiful: What do you see happening now and in the years ahead for residential lighting?

Maguire: First, I see a gain in effort to preplan lighting for new homes. I think more people are aware of the need to do this.

And I foresee many exciting things coming. For example: programmed changes in light within a space. Imagine a quiet, after-dinner gathering of, say, two couples. As they sit in a pleasant but relatively subdued light, a clear, white marble sculpture at one end of the room slowly, subtly, is illuminated. After a time the light recedes again.

Or picture the same thing happening to a wall with distinctive character. It's the change that becomes interesting in the space just as a change during the evening from Brahms to Bartok, or the change from no music to music and back to silence again, as Muzak cleverly programs for restaurants and offices.

House Beautiful: Anything more?

Maguire: Yes, I feel that perhaps there's going to be a change in the location of lights. We've always thought of lighting as coming from overhead, or from lamps that glow. I think we're going to see very exciting atmospheres created with lights low in a room.

ven at floor level. This is decotative lighting, of course. I've already found you can get a wonerful feeling in an area, just by aving a glow at floor level, say, eflecting on a white rug. The ght source may be underneath overhanging hearth, or beeath a sofa, or from one of those ew, frosted globes placed on the oor.

ouse Beautiful: Is the appearnce of fixtures that are meant to e seen a trend of any proporon?

Iaguire: I think there will definitely be more lighting done with vious instruments. For examle, white "cans" providing downghting, and extending below the iling surface. When nicely arnged, these can be interesting uring the day.

ouse Beautiful: How important landscape lighting?

Iaguire: Where the landscaping planned carefully, you can't st do the interior without doing e outside. A contract I finished cently illustrates the point. One all of the house was almost all lass and glass doors, leading to a ood deck. We put fixture at the eck level and threw light up gainst the soffit. The intent was make the deck show up from ithin at night. The owners put hite diaphanous draperies over e glass, and then discovered at with all the lights off inside, nd only the deck lights on, there as a marvelous, romantic glow f light filtering through the raperies.

ouse Beautiful: Is there one om you feel suffers most from ad lighting?

Iaguire: The bath. When I go to hotel, for example, where there nothing more than a small fixre over the mirror, I find it rribly upsetting. A completely minous ceiling is one good soluon—perhaps with controls to ower the intensity in the event meone would want to soak in e tub in a more subdued atosphere.

Iouse Beautiful: You've become volved in light sculpture. Where o you see this influencing light the home?

Iaguire: It seems to me we are n the threshold of one of the ost exciting periods of lightng's development. There is, for xample, the current fascinating se of light as an interpretive isual accompaniment to modern usical performances, a combiation of engineering and cretive talent. If science is one of e parents of lighting, art is the ther. ■

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Still another satisfying room may have been bought outright, from wallpaper to wastebasket, from a designer with whose style the buyer feels a sense of identity: "This is precisely to my taste, just what I choose to have around me." He (or she) buys it much as he might a painting by an artist whose work he loves, and in preference to any self-contrived décor. As he inhabits this room, it becomes the garden cultivated around him, gradually distilling the atmosphere in which his life can flourish. He makes it his own, and visitors to it will see that it is himself.

Then there is the contagion to be caught from rooms sheerly through their owner's delight in them, and regardless of how they got put together. James Merrill writes:

> His cottage. *His* rock-garden. *His* private cove. How proud and happy it made him! Two whitewashed rooms paved with hexagonal terra cotta, interspersed with square black tiles. Rush chairs. A low, wide window. His marble *trouvaille* on the sill. The table strewn with papers, dictionaries. His life-mask, plaster painted dull red, hanging above. Two wooden beds, woven striped coverings. The pillow Mother embroidered for him—neon-pink and yellow flowers on black—which looked so sad, so cheap in Houston but was suddenly at home here. . . ."[3]

Nor is the emotional power of rooms limited to them in their immediacy: it persists in our memories of them, filling us with nostalgia or the pang of anticipation. A character of Truman Capote's tries to recapture the enchantment of a house high above a bay in Cuba:

> How should I describe it? . . . It was cloud-pink stone with rooms strewn like gold-and-white flowers on a vine of high corridors and crumbling blue steps; with the windows wide and the wind moving through it was like an island, cool and most silent."[4]

Elizabeth Bowen reconstructs the magical changes inflicted on the "high bare Italianate" house, in which she grew up in Ireland by the light from its 50 windows:

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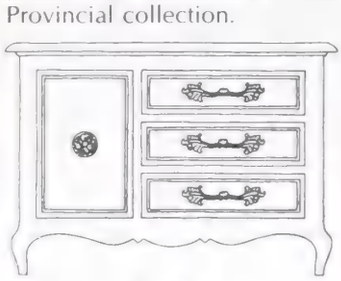
By Barbara Reed

Most homemakers pride themselves on being thrifty. In fact, a good many women find it next to impossible to part with the old chest they painted before the baby (who is now a ten-year-old) arrived. They say they need drawer space. That may be true. But why put up with an eyesore? Those odds and ends of furniture don't do a thing for your decor . . . or your morale.

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When the sun is low, in the early mornings, or evenings, the house seems, from the outside, to be riddled with light. Indoors, the rooms with these big windows not only reflect the changes of weather but seem to contain the weather itself. The high Venetian window on the staircase, looking north to the mountains through a plantation of spruce, sends in, if never direct sunlight, sun colors that are almost as bright. . . . And on winter mornings, when the late-rising sun throws the shadows of the circle of elms in a fan down the frosty lawn . . . the plaster and marble indoors, even the white woodwork, look also frosty and hard. When rain moves in vague gray curtains across the country or stands in a sounding pillar over the roof and trees, gray quivers steadily on the indoor air, giving the rooms, whichever room you go into, the resigned look of being exposed to rain."[5]

And Proust evokes the moment of anticipation on regaining a familiar and cherished milieu:

I knew this was the time when . . . professional men, such as I might have become, were getting out of the train or the river steamer on their way [home] . . . and that consulting their watches under the lime trees of the mall to make sure they were 'on time' they tasted in advance the pleasure of walking through a whole rainbow of scents in a dark, flower-filled little drawing room . . . and the cool freshness of the dining room where the air—a block of frozen light, streaked like an agate with the various odours of the tablecloth, the sideboard, the cider—would be lightly veined with the smell of cherries and apricots when the fruit dishes were brought in."[6]

Thus, by many means, we build around us, discover, or by luck fall into, environments whose overtones are poetic, serene, and pleasing; and, should fate consign us to one not kindred to our soul, will contrive to alter its emphasis—or even create somewhere within it an island, a refuge, in which our psyche can breathe freely.

A hotel or hospital room painted that flaccid, antilife green supposed to be "soothing" may, contrarily, bring on anything from mild depression to real dismay—and the instant decision to squander our patrimony on having it painted white, at once, if only for a fortnight, and to import into it a Giacometti drawing (to supplant Vesuvius!) and a daffodil blanket, so that our soul may feel not stricken and violated but regaled and validated.

Evelyn Waugh's Lady Marchmain, as a respite from the "august, masculine atmosphere" of the family's ancestral Brideshead, carves out a private sitting room:

Entering, one seemed to be in another house. She had lowered the ceiling, and the elaborate cornice which, in one form or another, graced every room, was lost to view; the walls, once panelled in brocade, were stripped and washed blue and spotted with innumerable little watercolours of fond association; the air was sweet with the fresh scent of flowers and musty potpourri; her library in soft leather covers, well-read works of poetry and piety, filled a small rosewood bookcase; the chimney piece was covered with small personal treasures—an ivory Madonna, a plaster St. Joseph, posthumous miniatures of her three soldier brothers."[7]

Truman Capote describes the attractive space achieved by a hermit amidst the devastation of an abandoned hotel:

Swan stairs soft with mildewed carpet curved upward from the hotel's lobby; . . . on the room clerk's splintery desk stood dehydrated specimens of potted palm. . . . [In the ballroom] a fallen chandelier jeweled the dust, and weather-ripped draperies lay bunched on the waltz-waved floor like curtsying ladies. Beyond. . .were two simply furnished, spacious rooms, both beautifully clean, and the evident pride he took in these quarters increased the charm of their surprise, and when he closed the door he made nonexistent the ruin surrounding them. Firelight polished sherry-red wood, gilded the wings of a carved angel. . . ."[4]

And the Prioress in an Isak Dinesen story transforms one corner of an austere convent into a personal oasis:

The supper table was laid. . . in [her] private dining room, which she had just lately redecorated. Before, it had been white, with ornaments of stucco perhaps a hundred years old. Now it was prettily covered with a wallpaper whose pattern, upon a buff background, presented various scenes of Oriental life. A girl danced under a palm tree, beating a tam-

bourine, while old men in red and blue turbans and long beards looked on. A sultan held his court of justice under a golden canopy, and a hunting party on horseback, preceded by its greyhounds and Negro dog-boys, passed a ruin. The Prioress had also done away with the old-fashioned candlesticks, and had the table lighted by tall, brightly modern, Carcel lamps of blue china, painted with pink roses."[8]

Other atmospheres to which we may find ourselves unexpectedly committed, can, without being non-emphathetic, cause us uneasiness merely by being unfamiliar. Proust, recalling bedrooms in which he slept, comes to:

That room, so lofty and so narrow, that pyramid of a room, . . whose shape my soul had found it so difficult, for the first two nights, to settle down in. For one's soul is under a compulsion to fill and refurbish every new receptable it may be called on to inhabit, to breathe its scents into it and to attune to its pitch: and till then I know how one can suffer during those first evenings, while one's soul is still a stranger, and has to fall in with the colour of the upholstery, the tick of the clock, the smell of the counterpane, and strive and strive again, expanding, lengthening, contracting itself, to take on the shape of a pyramidal bedroom." [6]

Echoing Proust's sensibility, Miss Bowen writes:

It is a wary business, walking about a strange house you know you are to know well. . . . The inside you gathers up defensively: something is stealing upon you every minute: you will never be quite the same again. These new unsmiling lights, reflections and objects are to become your memories, riveted closer than friends or lovers."[9]

And Rilke describes a room to which, it would seem, no adjustment was possible:

There remains whole in my heart. . .only that large hall in which we used to gather for dinner every evening. . . . I never saw this room by day: I do not even remember whether it had windows or on what they looked out: always, whenever the family entered, the candles were burning in the ponderous branched candlesticks, and in a few minutes one forgot the time of day and all that one had seen outside. This lofty and, as I suspect, vaulted chamber was stronger than everything else. With its darkening height, with its never quite clarified corners, it sucked all images out of one without giving one any definite substitute for them. One sat there as if dissolved: entirely without will, without consciousness, without desire, without defense."[10]

In any well-mannered house, there is one room that should be conspicuous for its absence of overpowering effects, its refusal to demand any emotional adjustment. To all who enter it, it should say, in Auden's words:

This room awaits from you/
What you alone, as visitor can bring,/A weekend of personal life."

In the guestroom, then, let the space be unconfining, the beds comfortable, the lighting convenient, the colors and fabrics artful but unobtrusive—and let whatever hangs on the walls be few: a Piranesi print, a Persian wall rubbing, but no demanding Kline or brilliant, inescapable Matisse. For this room must invite the guest's soul—not proclaim the host's.

If wishes were horses, it might be possible to go further still, and provide the guest with such an ideal *mis en scene* as one envisioned by Proust:

But on misty mornings I would like to awaken as a newcomer in some castle where I had not arrived until after nightfall: and getting up late, shivering in my nightshirt, blithely returning to scorch myself at the fire blazing on the hearth. . . .I would see from the window a stretch of unknown country and between the wings of the house, which make a splendid appearance, a huge forecourt where stablemen bring up the horses which will presently take us into the forest to look at fishponds and a monastery, my early-arisen hostess meanwhile giving orders to her household that they are not to disturb me by making a noise."[6]

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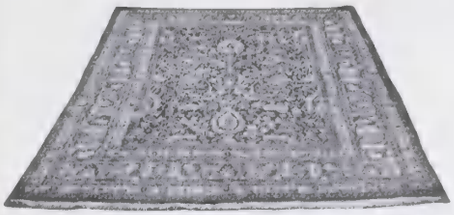
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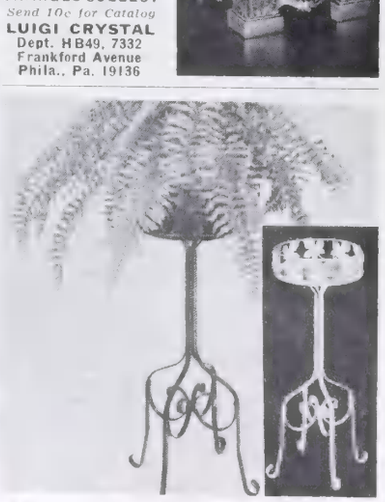
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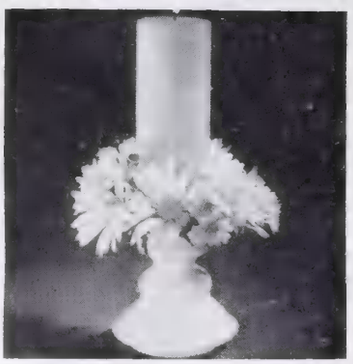
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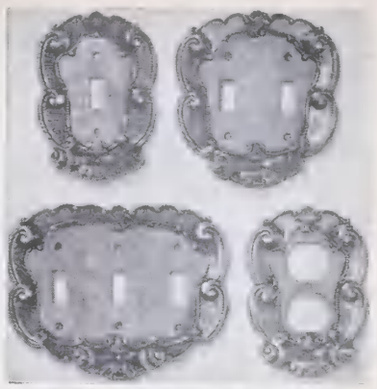
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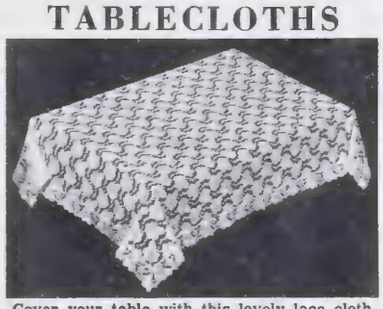
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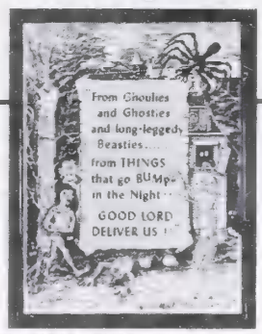
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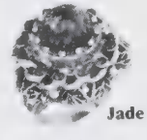
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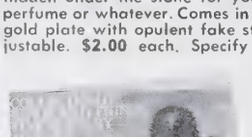


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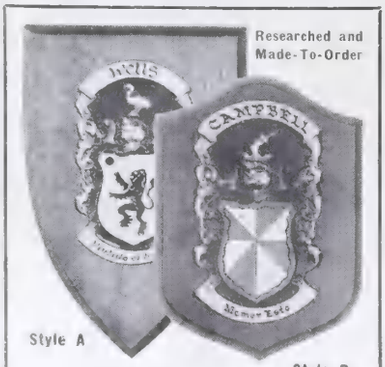
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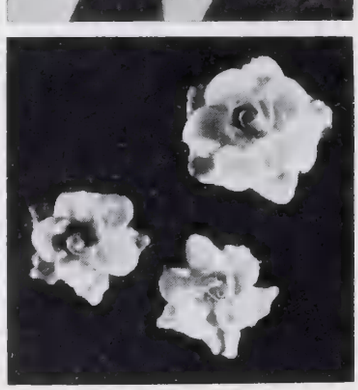
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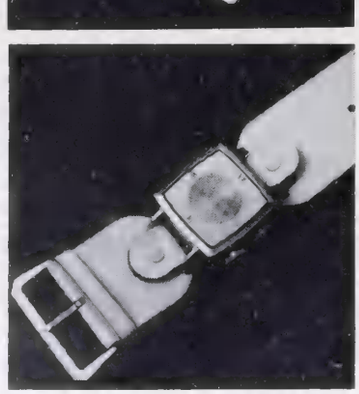
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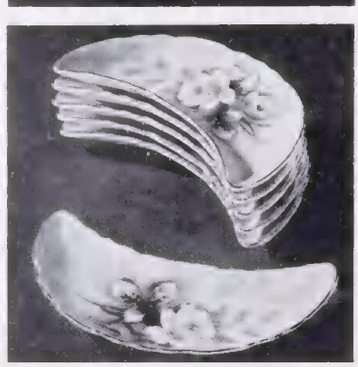
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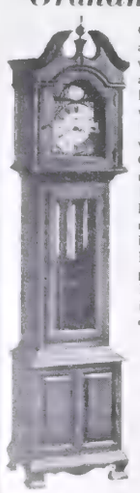
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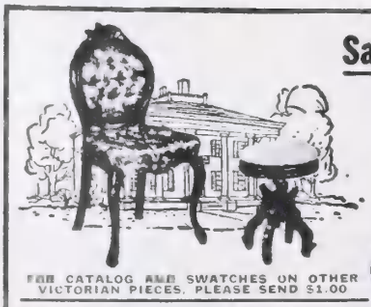
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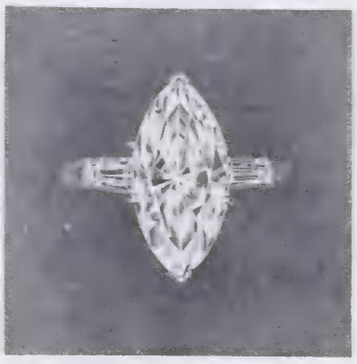
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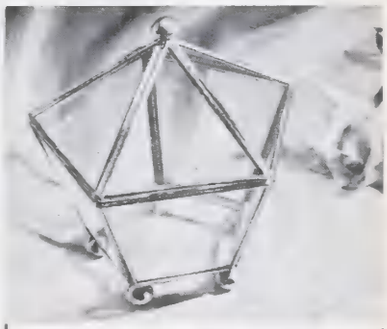


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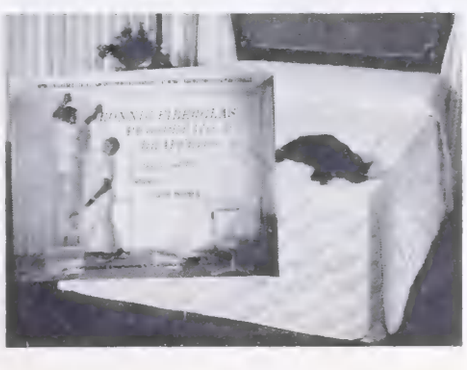
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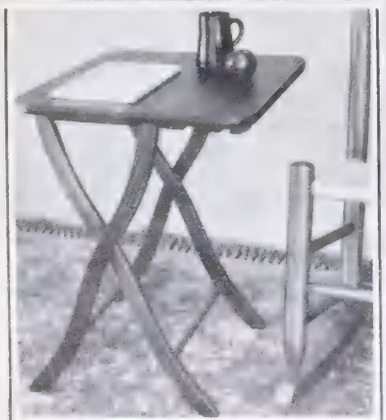


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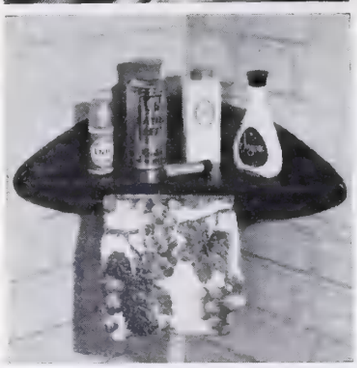
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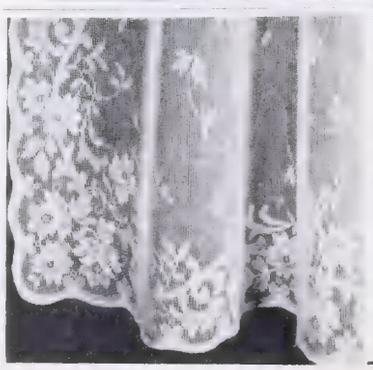
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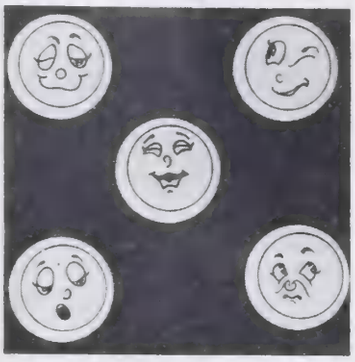
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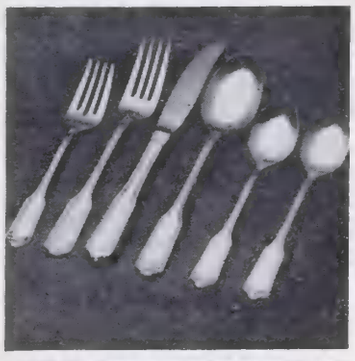
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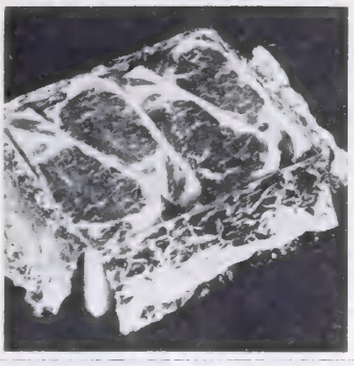
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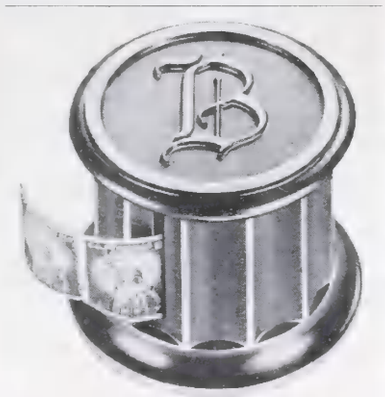


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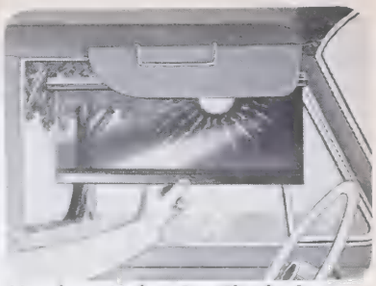


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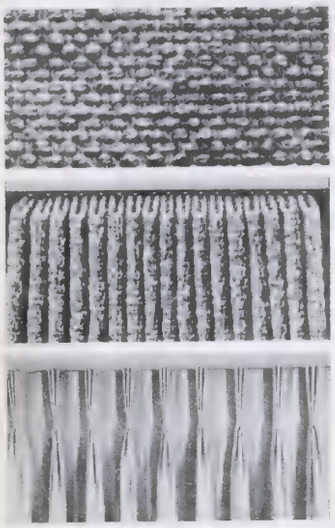
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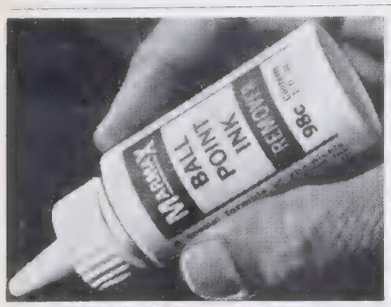
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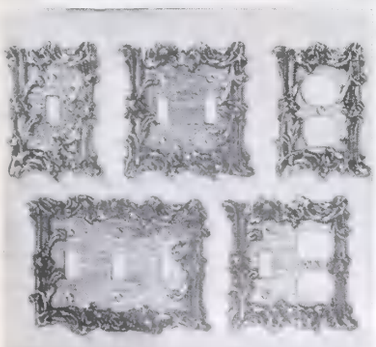


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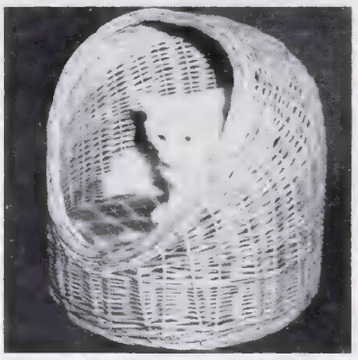
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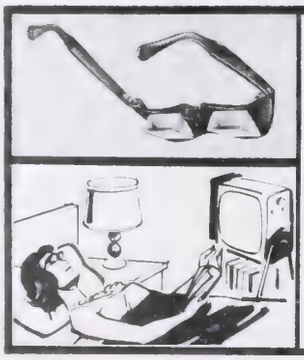
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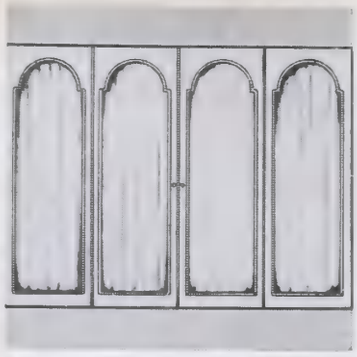
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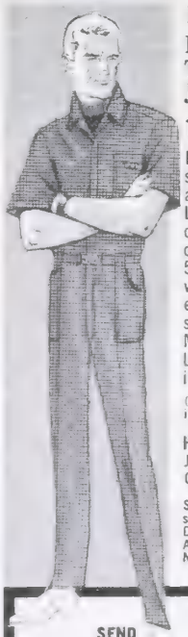
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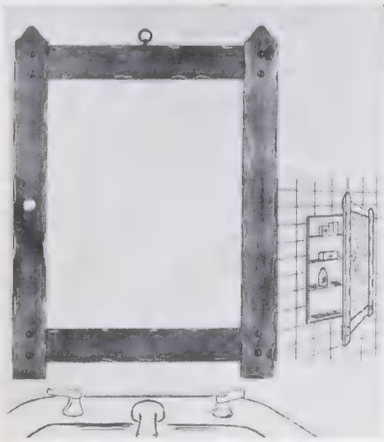
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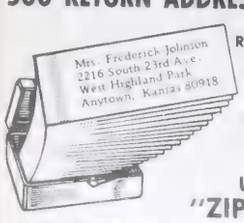
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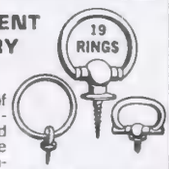


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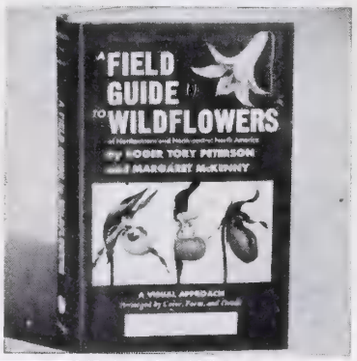
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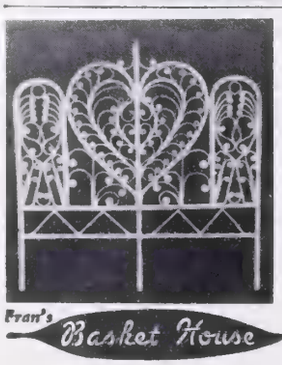
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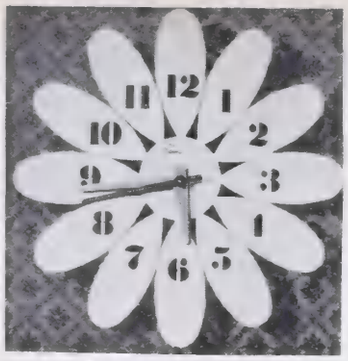


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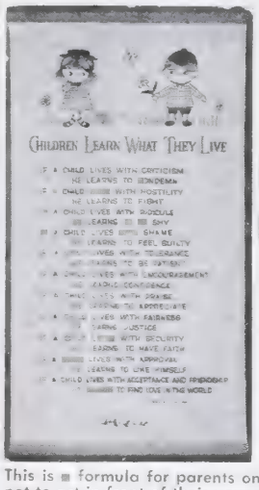
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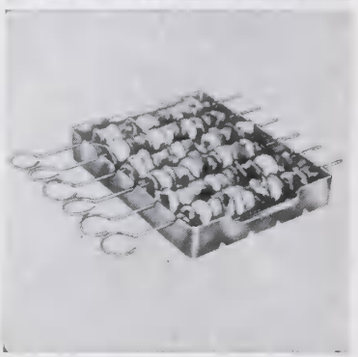
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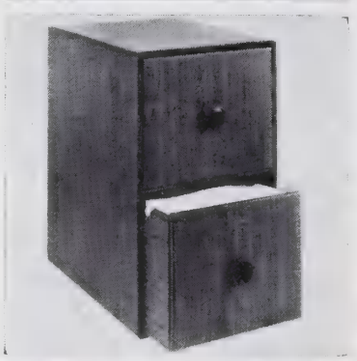
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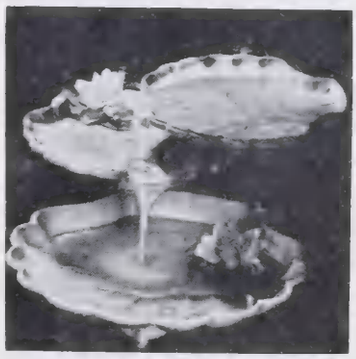
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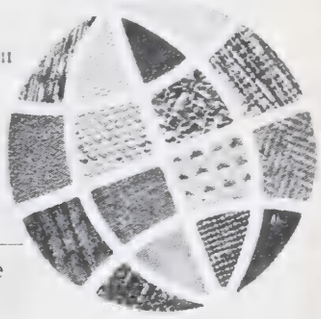
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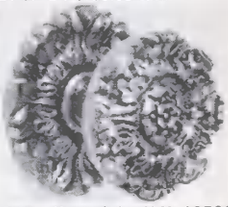
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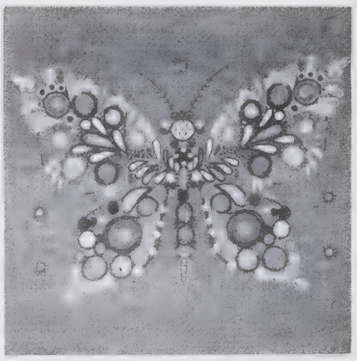
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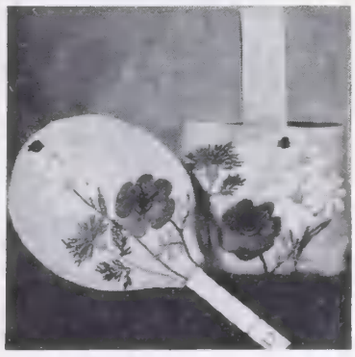
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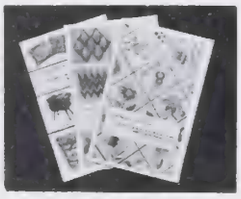
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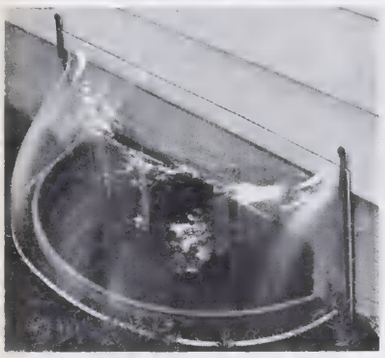
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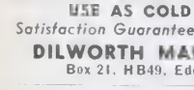


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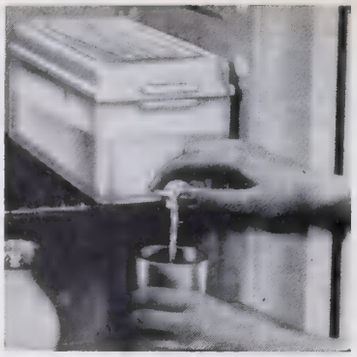
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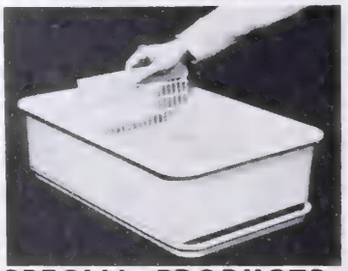
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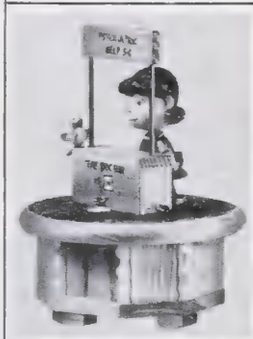
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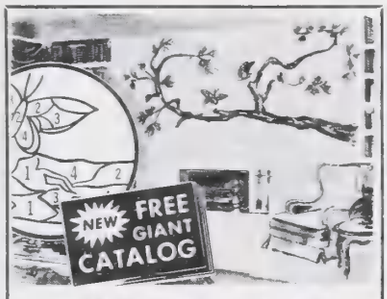
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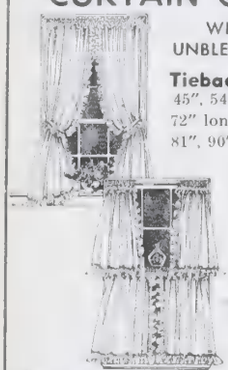
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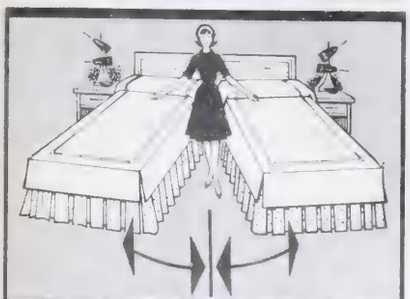


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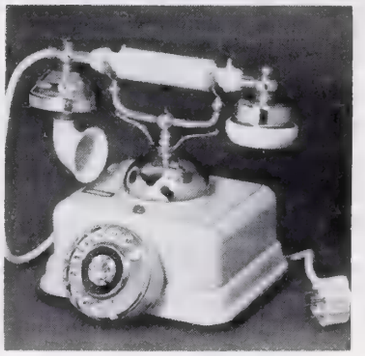
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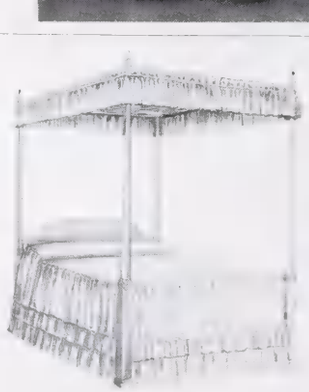
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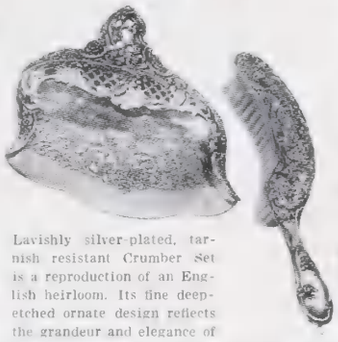
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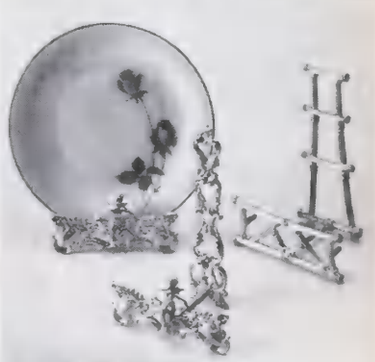
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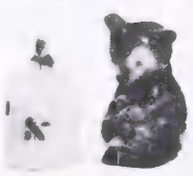
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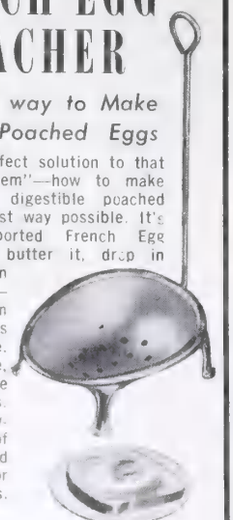
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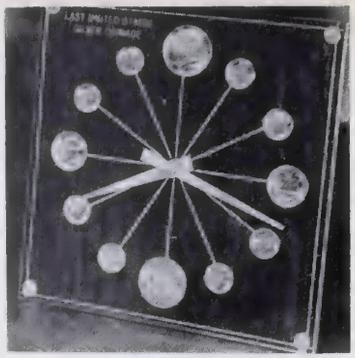
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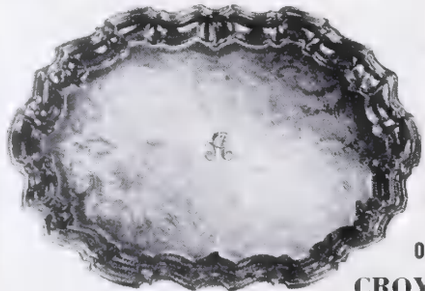
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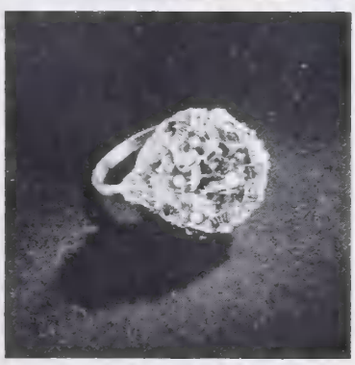
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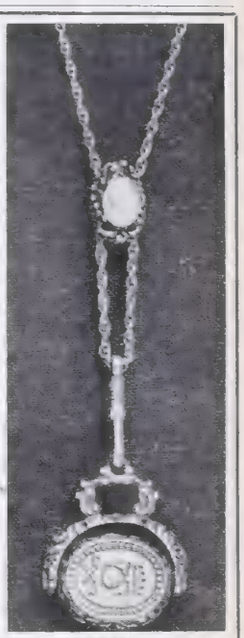


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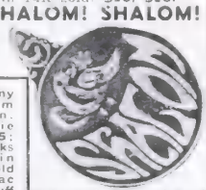




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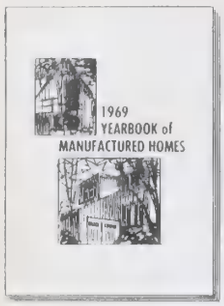
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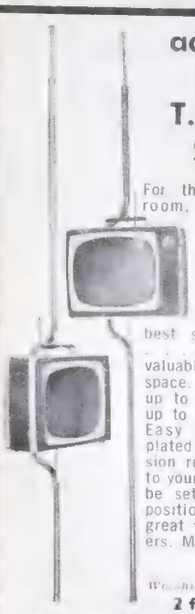
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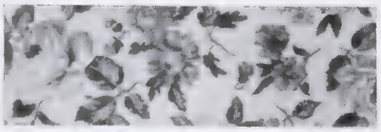


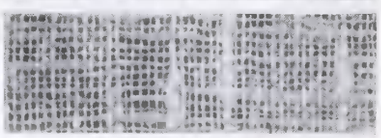
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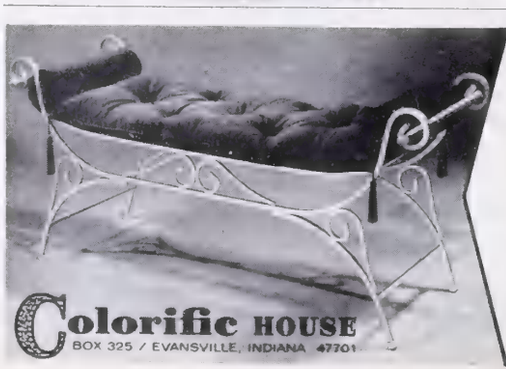
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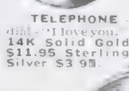
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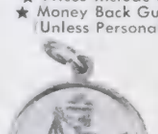
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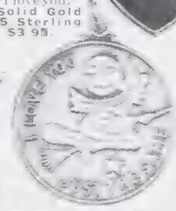


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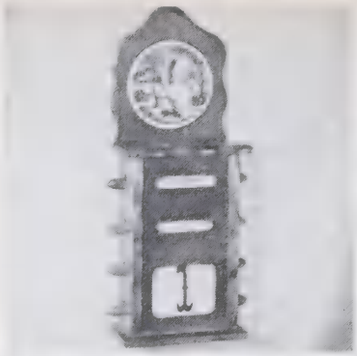
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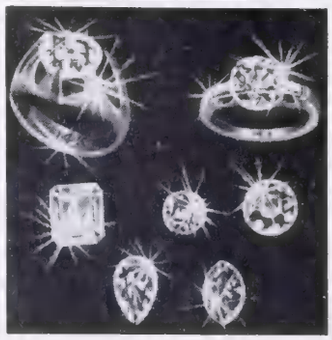
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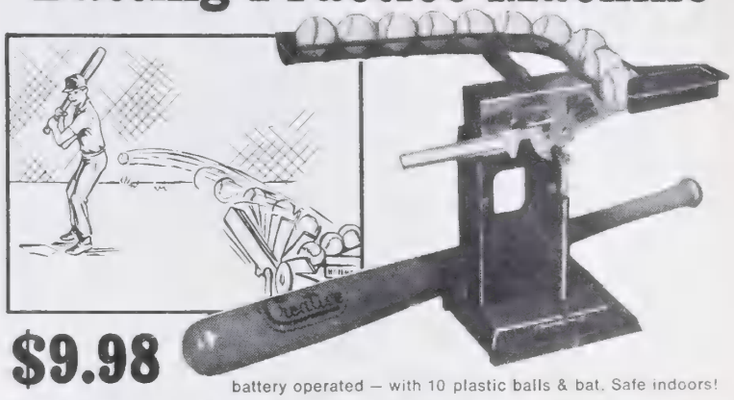
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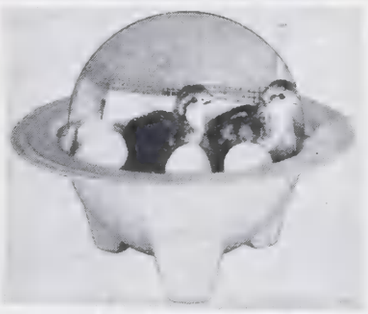


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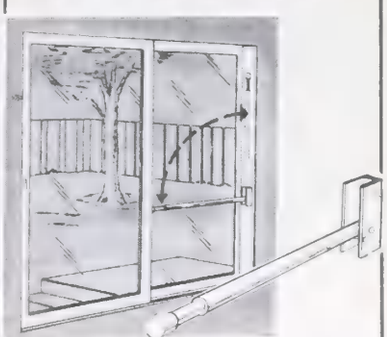
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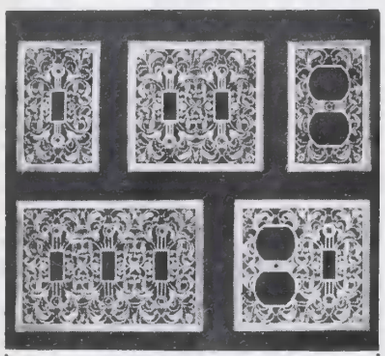
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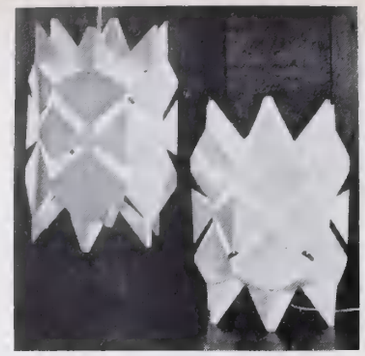


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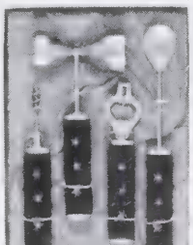


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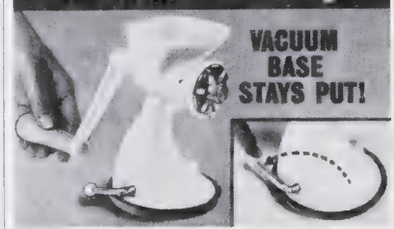
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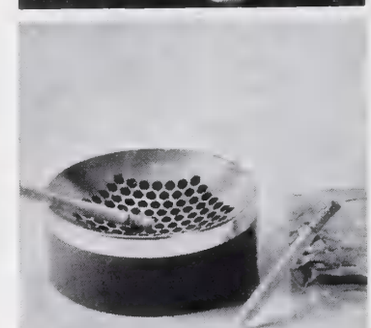


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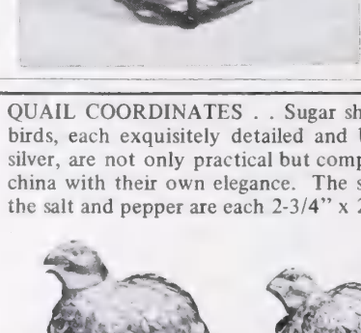
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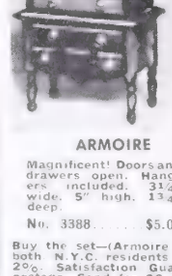
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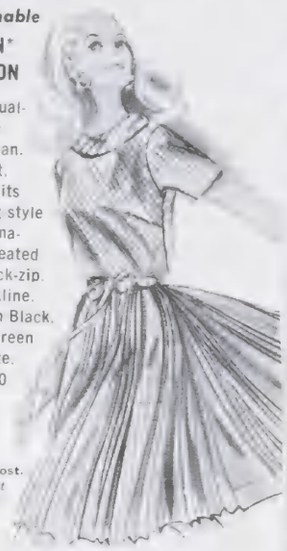


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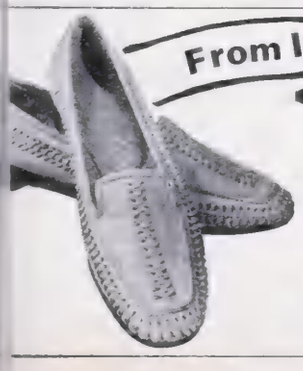
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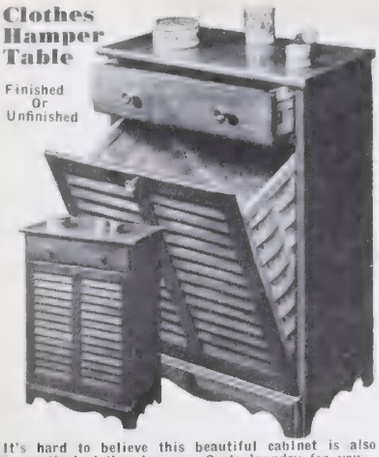
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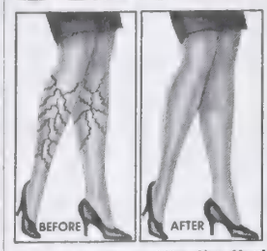
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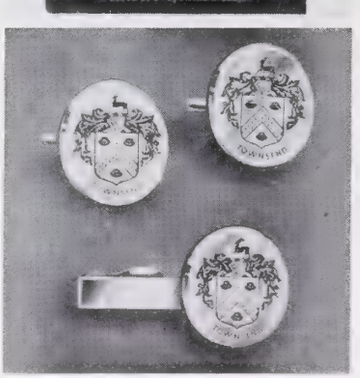
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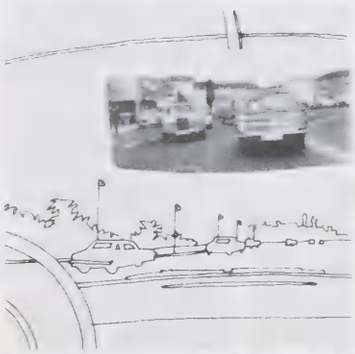
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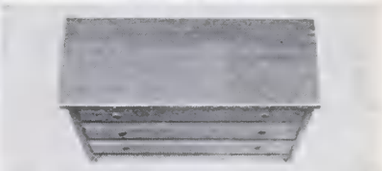
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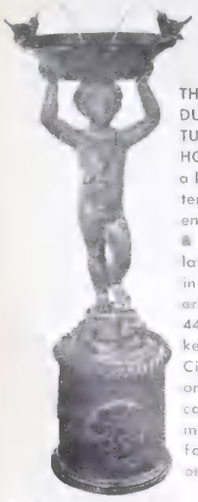
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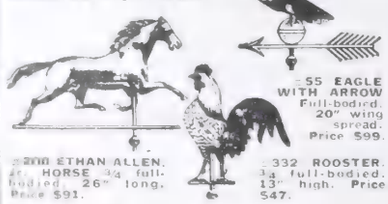
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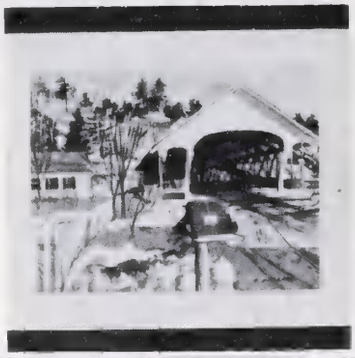
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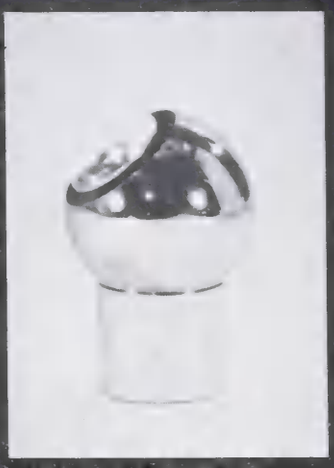
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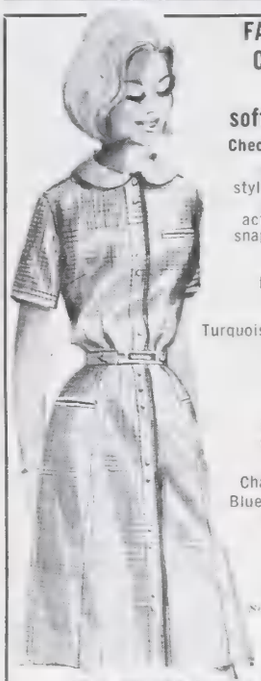
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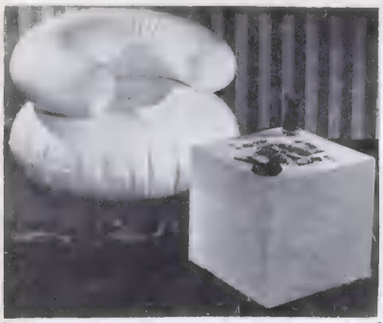
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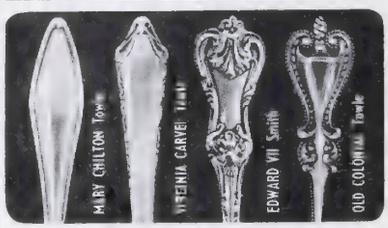


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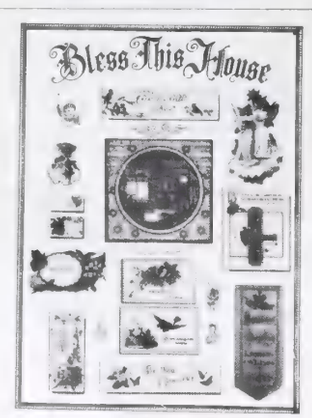
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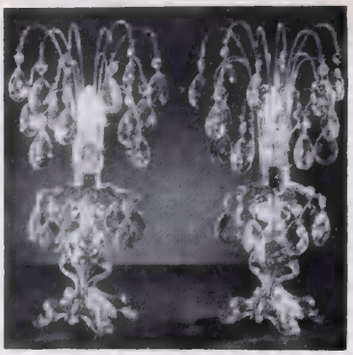


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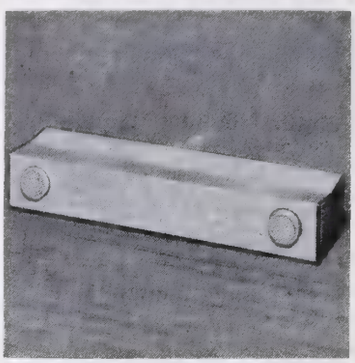
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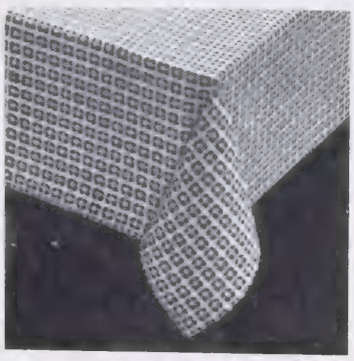


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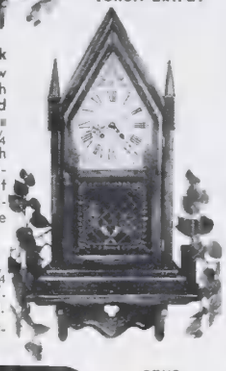


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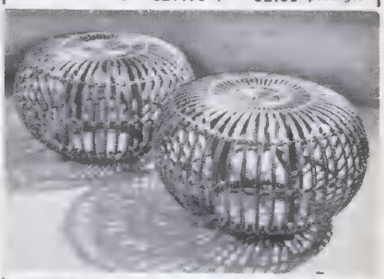
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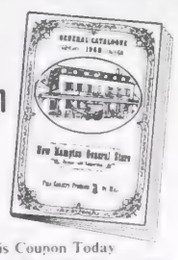
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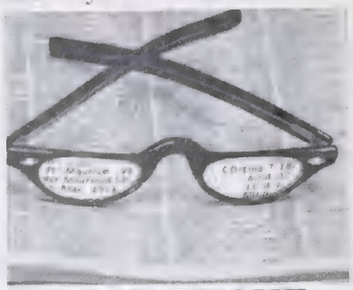
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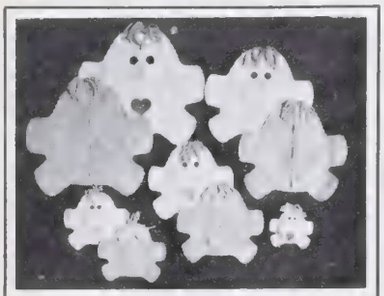
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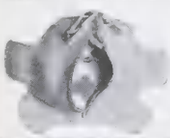
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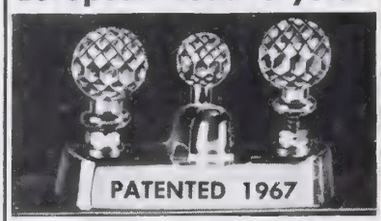
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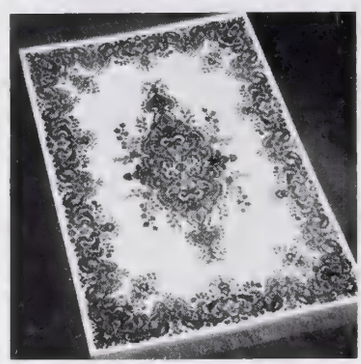
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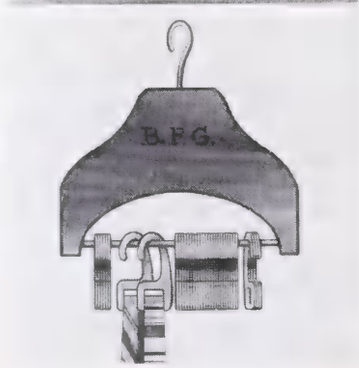
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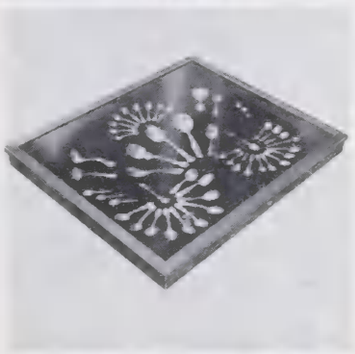
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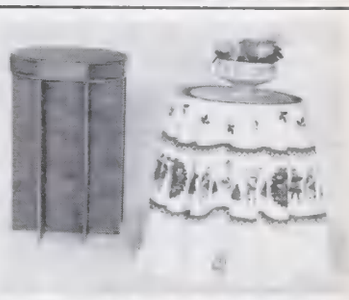
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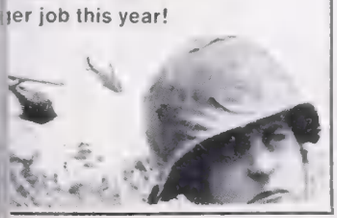
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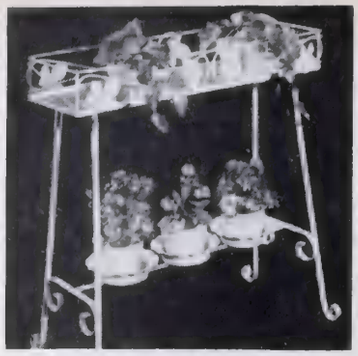
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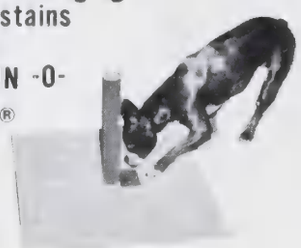
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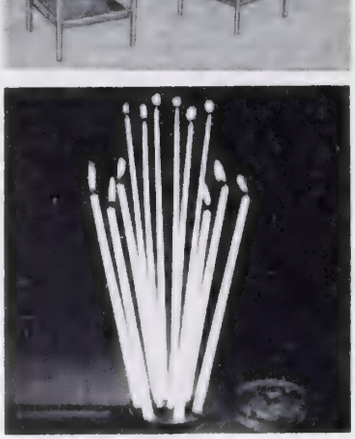


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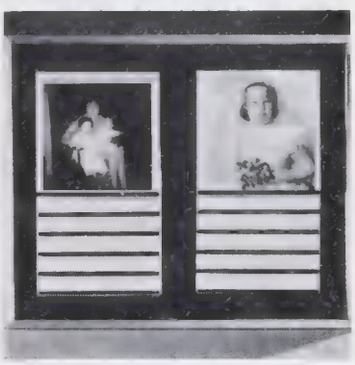
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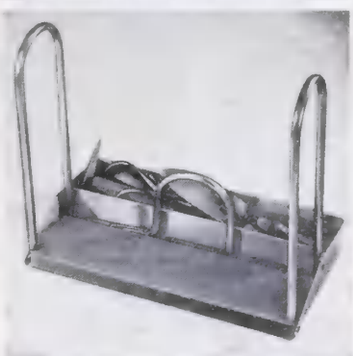
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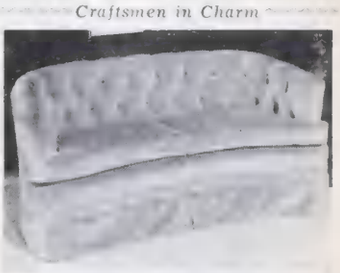
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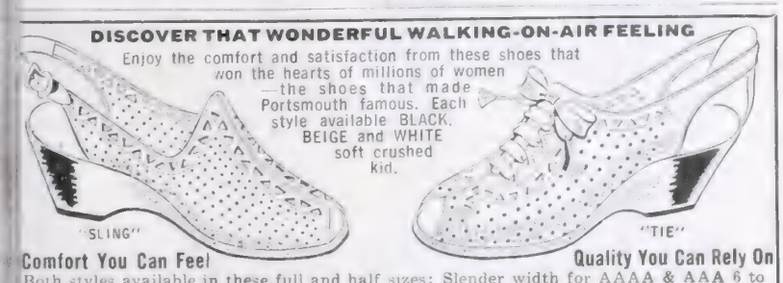
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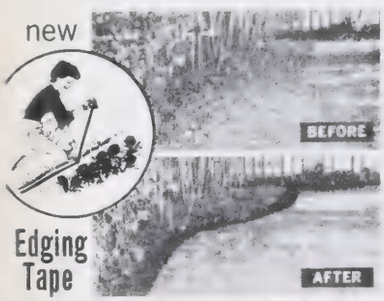
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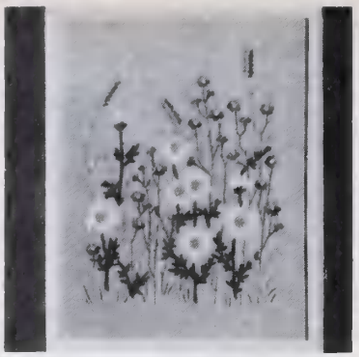
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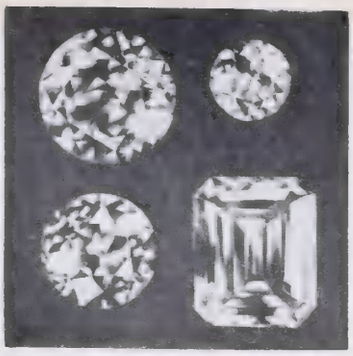
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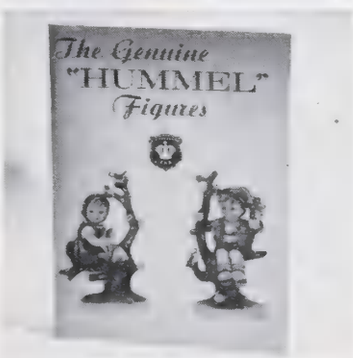
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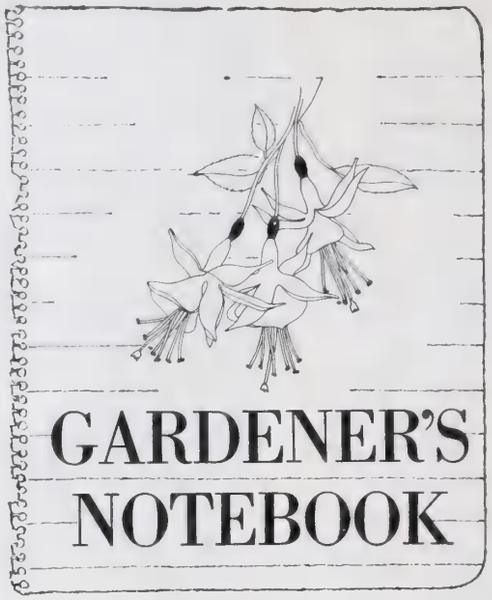
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Some lively comments on plants, gardens, and gardeners

Fuchsias, once thought to be possible only for West Coast gardens, will be big everywhere this year, first because of an increasing number of heat-resistant varieties, and second because of better cultural techniques. Fuchsias bloom on new wood, so the important thing is to keep vigorous growth coming all through spring and summer.

Every fuchsia specialist has a favorite growing mix. At White Flower Farms, Litchfield, Connecticut, the magic combination is 70 percent loam, 15 percent leaf mold or compost, and 15 percent coarse builder's sand. At Merry Gardens, Camden, Maine, a mixture of equal parts organic matter (leaf mold, peat moss, or compost), well-rotted manure, and sandy loam is used. Manhattan Garden Supply, 305 North Sepulveda Blvd., Manhattan Beach, California, recommends two parts sandy topsoil to one part each of redwood compost and peat moss.

Fuchsias need a soil that is kept moist at all times. Mist the foliage at least twice daily in hot weather. Protect from strong winds. Feed biweekly with a liquid houseplant food. Morning sun is ideal, as on the east or north side of a building, or simply very bright reflected light, as in the protection of a roof overhang.

Catalogs of fuchsia growers list varieties recommended for bush, pot, basket, tree, and espalier culture. My favorites for summer color outdoors (and I am definitely not in ideal fuchsia country) include: Swingtime (white and red double; basket), Brigadoon (purple and red double; basket), Pink Galore (double; always in bloom), Whitemost (white with sepals of palest pink; basket or upright), Display (pink; upright), and VooDoo (crimson and purple double; basket or upright).

Small upright fuchsias are ideal for limited space; as house plants include Buttons and Bows, Mme. Dacheau, Mrs. Marshall, and Little Beauty. The honeysuckle fuchsia, Gartenmeister Bohnstedt, with orange blooms and dark foliage, is a vigorous upright easily cultivated indoors or out. If you like plants with variegated foliage, try fuchsias Sunray (leaves green, cream, silver, and white), and Golden Marinka (red stems, gold-edged green leaves).

To winter over fuchsias, keep them in a cool place (40-50 degrees), and water just enough to keep old wood from drying out. Bring to sun or put in a fluorescent-lighted garden in February. Cut back after leaf buds show.

Great new roses

A steady succession of abundant bloom and unusual vigor are the hallmarks of this year's new roses. The bare-root bushes are available now for early planting, or later in the season you can put in container-grown plants available at local garden centers.

Jackson and Perkins, Newark, New York, has four new roses for this spring: Proud Land, the Rose of the Year (clear red hybrid tea, to 5½ inches across), Gene Boerner (medium pink floribunda, 1969 All-America Selections winner), Royal Canadian (very fragrant red hybrid tea), and Vin Rose (pink hybrid tea).

Star Roses, West Grove, Pennsylvania, has five new roses for 1969: Colorama (hybrid tea, five-inch blooms of canary yellow and carmine red), Comanche (brilliant orange-red, 1969 AARS winner), Rhonda (everblooming climber, four-inch coral-pink flowers), Angel Face (floribunda with nearly overpowering fragrance, color ranging from dark reddish purple to soft mauve; unusually long-lasting, either cut or on the plant; 1969 AARS winner), and Golden Prince (non-fading dark, glowing yellow hybrid tea, to five inches across).

Armstrong Nurseries, Ontario, California, has four new roses this year: Pascali (white hybrid tea, 1969 AARS winner), San Diego (hybrid tea with double, double flowers of pale creamy yellow), Marie Antoinette (dark rosy pink grandiflora), and Dellard's Orange Climber (blooms mainly in spring, sporadically balance of season).

Lilacs in new dimension

Lilacs tend to be rangy shrubs, but *Syringa palibiniana*, the tree lilac, forms a stylized standard about four feet tall, with a clean trunk topped by a symmetrical head of small leaves. It is literally a tailored tree, ultimately suited to any formal planting, large or small, and available now from Wayside Gardens, Mentor, Ohio. Masses of dark lilac flowers appear in early summer, even in the year of planting, which is most unusual for a lilac.

Plant primroses now

Primroses are the most colorful of all spring-flowering perennials, and you'll find them blooming now in containers at local nurseries. With ample soil about the roots, and water, they transplant readily, even in full bloom. Early fall is also a good time to transplant primroses.

Primroses thrive in moist soil, enriched with peat moss and leaf mold. The plants will live longer if shaded in summer. Those that bloom spring in containers will need to be transplanted to the open ground in a shaded, moist place to recuperate through the summer for next spring.

Primula denticulata varieties bloom early, bringing a moire of lavender, pink, rose, and white about six inches above the ground. Naturalize under high shade trees, or use in formal plantings with spring bulbs.

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Traps for beetles

One of the more unusual visitors to Nantucket Island the last few summers has been D. W. Hamilton, an entomologist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. With Nantucket officials and residents cooperating, Hamilton went about placing 2,000 insect traps in strategic spots around the Island, which lies off the coast of southeastern Massachusetts.

Hamilton's target was the Japanese beetle, and his traps were baited with new experimental lures that proved far more attractive to the beetles than the roses, dahlias, and other garden delights they ordinarily feed on.

Department entomologists are cautious in predicting how soon such traps will be in widespread use, but they tell me that the technique shows real promise as a control method covering large areas. The gardener fighting invasions of Japanese beetles from all over the neighborhood should find this welcome news indeed.

Greenhouses to blow up

Today, inflatable furniture. Tomorrow, inflatable home greenhouses. Experimental work has already produced a double-walled polyethylene cover that goes over a suitable greenhouse framework. Now under development is a polyethylene bubble that can be blown up on a moment's notice to produce a controlled environment for plants. We can forget about glass and stones, but what about rose thorns and punctures?

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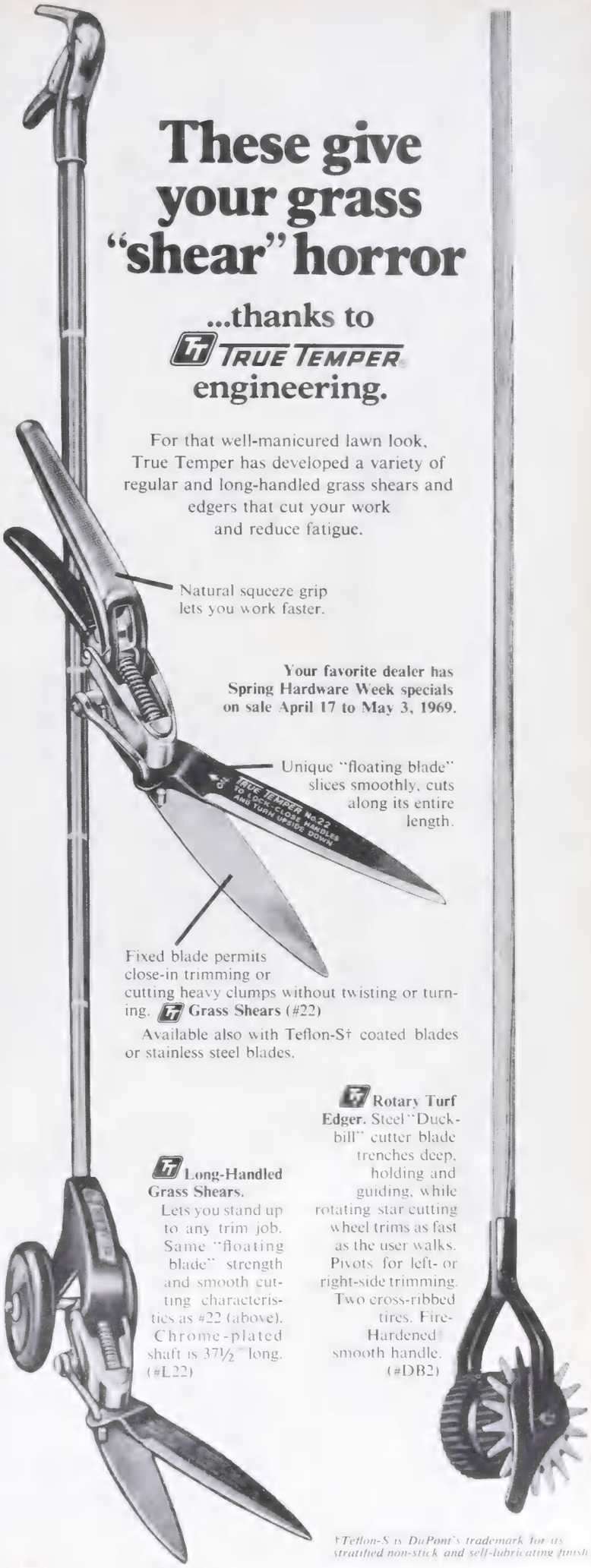
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Meanwhile, back with the roses, Mr. Moore is already building up stock of an acid green, fully double miniature which he says is a real rose flower—not a monstrosity like the old Green Rose (*Rosa viridiflora*). A fiery orange-red miniature that grows 12 inches high and flowers all season from spring to frost has been released this spring at Moore's Sequoia Nursery, 2519 East Noble, Visalia, Calif. 93277. ■

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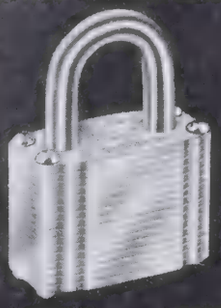
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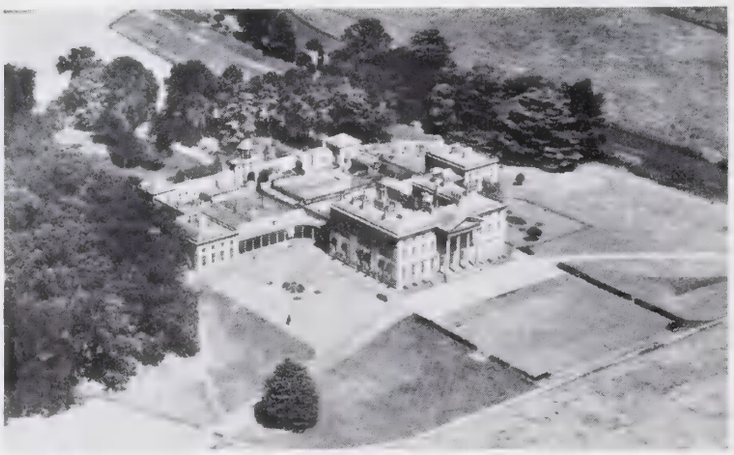
Here we wandered, accompanied by the proprietary peacocks, across ancient, perfect lawns to Alice-in-Wonderland boxwood gardens cut in the shape of playing cards. We visited the chapel, marveled at the burgeoning perfection of the tuberous begonias in the hothouses. We hiked to the ruins of Ludlow Castle and then, as an evening divertisement, dined at the Three Feathers, an Elizabethan inn, and attended a performance of Richard III. Just one in a succession of unforgettable days.

There is the beguiling memory of Berrington Hall, fragrant with garden-fresh sweet peas in dizzying abundance, and Lady Crawley, its delightful owner, who gave up a Buckingham Palace garden party to regale us with lunch in the buttery—hedgehog pie, strawberries and Devonshire cream—and related the legends of this marvelous Palladian creamy stone house, a work of Henry Holland, and its Capability Brown gardens. When I thanked her for this glorious day, she said simply, "Remember me." Who could ever forget her? Or Mrs. Lane-Fox of Bramham Park, who has pledged herself, as her father did before her, to restore the old house, ghost and all, to its earliest glory. In 1962, the task nearly completed, a windstorm destroyed 400 trees, which she has gamely replanted so that in another 50 years the avenues will be perfect again.

Such dedication to preserving the best of the past—not as a personal, unshared treasure but as England's priceless heritage—is typical among the owners of these great old houses. At Much Wenlock Priory, home of the descendants of William Penn (we picnicked here on Scottish eggs and cider, surrounded by oak-shaded lawns and the trimmest of topiary), the owners are vitally concerned with the restoration of the crumbling medieval priory that gives the place its name.

Patrick, Earl of Litchfield, barely in his 30's, with a seriousness that belies his youth and his frequent mention in the social columns, has devoted himself since he came of age to the restoration of Shugborough, his handsome neoclassic family seat. He manages the land and has established himself as a hard-working professional photographer, all to the purpose that this heritage house should be as it was intended to be—an excellent example of the 18th-century country house. It is surrounded by broad lawns and romantic gardens of pyramidal topiary in golden yew; there is a charming little temple of love, a Chinese teahouse, a bosky stream spanned by a Chinese bridge, all typical of the "conceits" and "follies" the 18th Century loved.

We saw our country houses under special auspices, intimately, almost casually. The list included, besides those already mentioned, Chatsworth Palace; Benthall, with its ha-ha, its dovecote, and needlepoint kneeling cushions in the chapel; Mawley Hall; Swan Hill Court; Sledmere House, where Sir Richard Sykes raises blooded horses; Powis Castle in Wales, where Clyde of India was born; Burton Agnes, housing a treasure of Coromandel screens and modern French art; Haddon Hall of Dorothy Vernon fame; Newby Hall, where even the white-painted garden furniture bears the stamp of Adam; Nostell Priory, where Robert Adam vies with Chinese Chippendale, and one of the bathrooms combines them both; Castle Howard, the work of Sir John Vanbrugh, its fountained gardens punctuated by the charming Temple of the Four Winds; Harewood House, seat of the Earl of Harewood, the Queen's cousin, where the library dome is especially fine Adam, and black sheep munch on the green lawns; Fountains Abbey, built in the late 16th Century from the stones of a 12th-century abbey; Madresfield Court, moated, with walk-in Tudor fireplaces, and incomparable gardens.



Attingham Park, Shrewsbury, where National Trust Summer School students live in the surroundings they come to study. The First Lord Berwick built it in 1785, the Fourth Lord bequeathed it to the Trust.



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Powis Castle, over the border in Wales—a marvelous design mix of seven centuries, from its 13th-century beginning as a fortified house. In 1600, it was "Tudorized," given rosy brick, bow windows, gardens.

You have probably heard that some of England's great houses are open to the public for a fee, and many are. But lest that be misunderstood, this is their owners' way of defraying the tremendous cost of their maintenance and coping with the devastating English taxes. This is by no means a device that enriches the owners, but a conservation measure that enriches the country. Ultimately, many will probably belong to the state, under the administration of the National Trust, which is charged with the preservation of historic houses.

As we visited the 30 houses on our schedule, I was struck by the seemingly endless profusion of excellence that has been cherished, through thick and thin and over the centuries, under these Tudor gables and Palladian domes. And England is full of many more such houses, similarly endowed with important collections of porcelains, silver, furniture, tapestries, and art. It is a surprise to learn, for example, that there is more signed 18th-century French furniture in England than in France because so many English aristocrats bought it at the Versailles sales during the French Revolution. We visited one house which, among its many rare collections, has more Limoges enamels than the Louvre.

Chatsworth Palace, home of the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire and acknowledged as one of the greatest of the English great houses, has its own curator-librarian, the courteous Mr. Tom Wragg, who keeps track of the rare art, manuscripts, sculptures, porcelains, and furnishings that the Dukes of Devonshire have been collecting since 1557. Raphael, Rembrandt, Rubens, Gainsborough, Sutherland, Reynolds—they're all there, and many more. Eighteen unframed drawings by Rembrandt and Raphael were brought out for us to examine. The Mortlake tapestries were made after the Raphael drawings in the ducal art archives. In the Sculpture Hall, 28 chairs of assorted periods and styles were lined up so that we might study them, even turn them over to see the detail of their construction. One long gallery houses an almost interminable collection of blue and white Chinese export porcelains. And it was here that I held in my own hands two priceless, intricately made Augustus Rex Meissen figurines.

Capability Brown designed the vast gardens; Paxton, architect of the Crystal Palace, designed the conservatory. In the 18th-century romantic way, there is a cascade, and two great sculpture fountains rise from its lawns. Surely a place of treasure.

But just as impressive to me, as it was in most houses we visited, was the humanity and simplicity with which the owners enjoyed living with their inheritances. In the private apartments at Chatsworth it was wonderful to see the Cavendish family portraits, done by the greats of their times, looking down on piles of books left by a comfortable chair, on records stacked near the record player, on the blanket thrown over a chair for the dog who is very much a part of the family. The Duchess takes great, nostalgically evergreen delight in the view from her bedroom windows—a garden of yellow yew hedges, laid to scale like an architects' blueprint of Chiswick, another famous Cavendish family house which started the Palladian style in England. She frequently dines alone because of the Duke's business commitments in London, but says she's never lonely when she can look from the table to the Neptune fountain and the great canal with its Emperor jet soaring 290 feet into the air—the second highest jet fountain in Europe.

The Duchess, who is clever with flowers and an avid, active gardener—currently much involved in pleaching hedges—lines the window ledges of her entrance corridor with miniature plants in cachepots and vases of sweet-smelling nicotiana. She has also initiated a thoughtful arrangement for guests in her house: she has put in her hall two identical circular tables, elegancies of gold and white supported by carved swans. One of these holds everything a guest might need—the guest book, meal schedule, post schedule, train schedule, letter paper, stamps. On the other table there is a complete bar set up—and it's a remarkable sight to see a bottle of Schweppes amid such grandeur.

The owners were as marvelous as their houses. One showed me her ingenious device for protecting her privacy—hard to protect when you live in a house like one of these. From her morning room, where she does her mail, she can look through a false window with mirrored sides and observe callers coming through the gates. By the time the bell rings, the butler knows whether she is "at home" or not, depending on the caller. Almost all these ladies are knowledgeable gardeners, growers of the astonishing, brilliant

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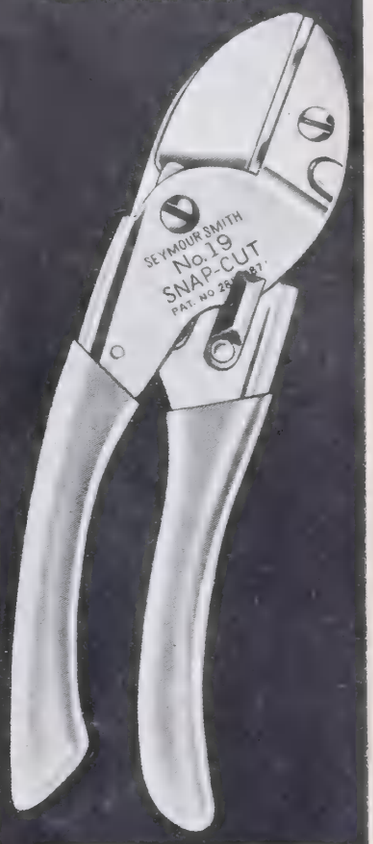
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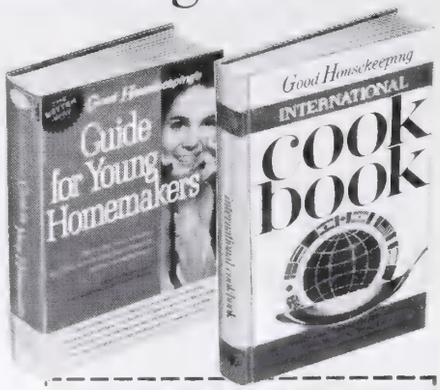


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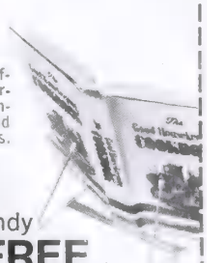
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The cry of the peacock

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flowers we found everywhere in England. Flowers were in great abundance last summer and, whether or not by happenstance, certain flowers always seem to be used with certain types of architecture. I was always seeing blue and white delphinium in front of the gray stone of Tudor fireplaces, and in 18th-century houses masses of tuberous begonia—a most stylish flower for indoor use.

It is curious that certain style trends seem to have predominated in so many of these great houses, although it becomes apparent that the 18th-century affluent were trying to outdo each other, much as our 19th-century merchant princes did. The 18th Century vied with better basic taste. Those miles of Angelica Kauffmann ceilings, the tables of William Kent, and the exquisite plasterwork of imported Italian artists must have hurried many an owner to bankruptcy. There are enough Coromandel screen panels in Britain to cover a ball field—and it *did* go out of style. When the Duke of Devonshire discovered his completely paneled Coromandel room was démodé, he turned the panels into chests, but at Burton Agnes the Coromandel room still remains, a vestige of 18th-century one-upmanship.

These owners were unquestionably the patrons of the great 18th-century furniture makers, who incredibly enough seem to have found the time to design garden shelters and furniture. Harewood has a charming covered garden shelter in the Chippendale style with Chinese lattice; and Newby Hall has white painted garden furniture that surely must have been designed by Adam.

Like wealthy American collectors today, the 18th-century English were collector-travelers who made eclectic decoration their own thing, studding their houses with Chinese screens, French porcelains, signed French furniture, Brussels tapestries, Italian paintings, and Greek marble. All collected on their grand tours, just as the serious American collector on his travels now picks up Japanese screens, Indian temple carvings, Cambodian silver, or English horn stirrup cups. One wonders if, 50 years from now, the new repositories of the decorative arts may not be in Houston, Palm Beach, or San Francisco.

All the houses we saw were by no means pure and perfect. The bad was often mixed with the good and design might be off-key, but all had the endearing, and awesome, patina of years—an overlayering of collections added to collections, the sum of succeeding generations' alterations, acquisitions, idiosyncrasies, personal tastes. The whole seems to blend harmoniously because it is honest—it is the way people lived in the past with fine art and the way people live today with the fine things they have inherited, and it's a way you'll never understand from the pure period rooms in the museums.

The enchantment of the Attingham course and the houses it took us to was the lively, living reality of it all. The course, incidentally, is open to anyone, but I'd venture that dilettantes and the merely curious would not find it quite their dish. Among our group were designers, museum curators, professors, students, librarians, and me, Merchandise Promotion Director of B. Altman & Co., the department store, all of us sharing a more than passing interest in our subject.

Activities were under the inspiring direction of Sir George Trevelyan, Warden of the Shropshire Adult College, and Helen Lowenthal, Education Advisor to the National Trust, two scholarly enthusiasts with the facility of cloaking the bare bones of fact with wit and anecdote. We were lectured by a rare faculty of pundits, all specialists, such as Sir John Summerson, C.B.E., Curator of Sir John Soane's Museum and an authority on English architecture; Mr. Clifford Musgrave, O.B.E., Director of the Royal Pavilion at Brighton; Mr. John Cushion, Senior Research Assistant in the Department of Ceramics of the Victoria and Albert Museum; and Desmond Fitzgerald, Assistant Keeper of the Department of Furniture at the Victoria and Albert, who, besides holding one of the oldest titles in Europe, the Knight of Glyn, is also an authority on Palladian architecture. We were escorted and plied with information by the delightful Helena and John Hayward, husband and wife. John is with Parke-Bernet in London and a great authority on English Regency silver, among other things; and Helena, who is editor of *World Furniture*, opened our eyes to the fine points of furniture styles and periods. Altogether a fascinating, most rewarding experience in the noble realm where the peacocks still cry.

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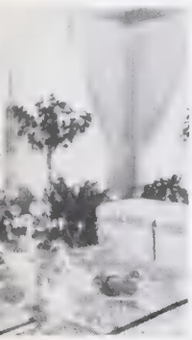
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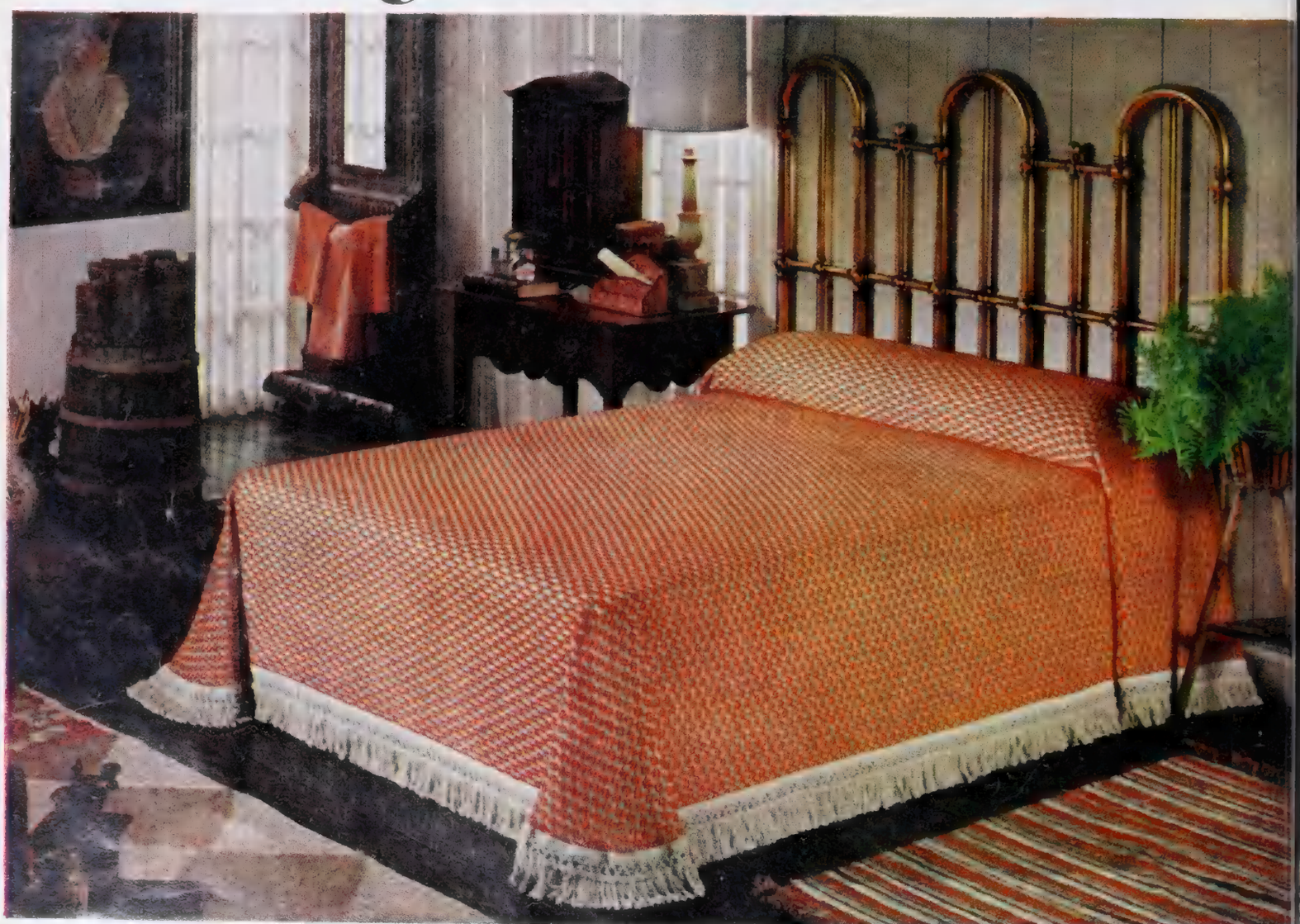
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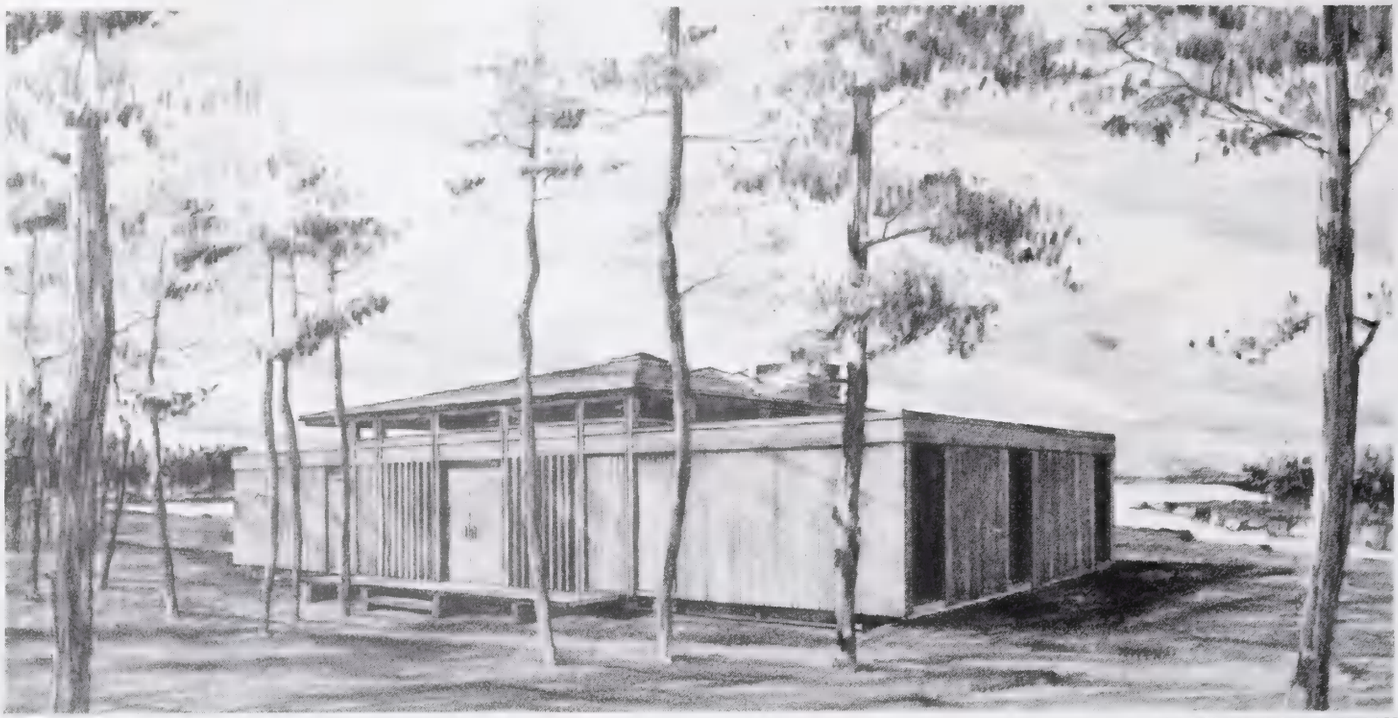


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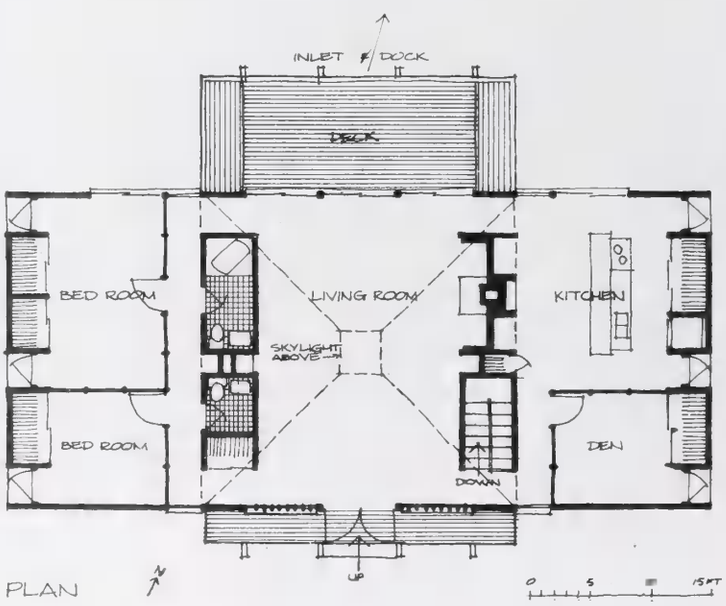
By John H. Ingersoll

Sunlight and privacy

As neatly composed as a wheat field on the prairie, this spare wood-and-glass house is a lesson in drawing the limits of performance from every plank, every panel, every cubic foot of space. It is virtually a frill-less house. Yet the pieces and parts are arranged in a way that pleases the eye and fulfills with deceptive ease the needs of the owners.

Located in New Seabury, a ten-year-old vacation community on the Martha's Vineyard Sound side of Cape Cod, the house was designed by Architect Joseph J. Schiffer of Concord, Massachusetts, for the Don J. Saracenos. The grove of pine that separates and partially hides the house from the road is not a happy accident. Preservation of the natural surroundings rated high priority when the original landscaping was planned for the entire community. The land drops away behind the house and stretches another 50 yards or so to the water, a salt-water inlet deep enough to moor keel boats and protected to a degree from storms that blow up on the Sound.

Daylight washes the interiors—through fixed-glass clerestories, through a center skylight, and through five sets of sliding glass doors across the north (water) side of the house. And by judicious arrangement of windows in front and set-back, vertical windows on the ends, the architect has given the owners a considerable measure of privacy. Sidewalls are faced with vertically grooved plywood; the roof covered with red-cedar shingles—both low-maintenance products. Cedar decking serves as the flooring in the living and sleeping spaces; vinyl tile in the baths. Decks are of Douglas fir planks on edge.



For vacation living, this plan is utterly simple, and at the same time remarkably functional. For example, the 200-square-foot kitchen is large by year-round-home standards—a space that's pleasurable to work in and right for the informal dining associated with a leisure home. A handsome, buff-colored brick wall separates kitchen and living room, forms a striking fireplace for the living room and a barbecue area on the kitchen side. Stairs lead to a concrete-floored basement that opens out beneath the deck; provides space for storage of boating and fishing gear. Den serves as guest bedroom.



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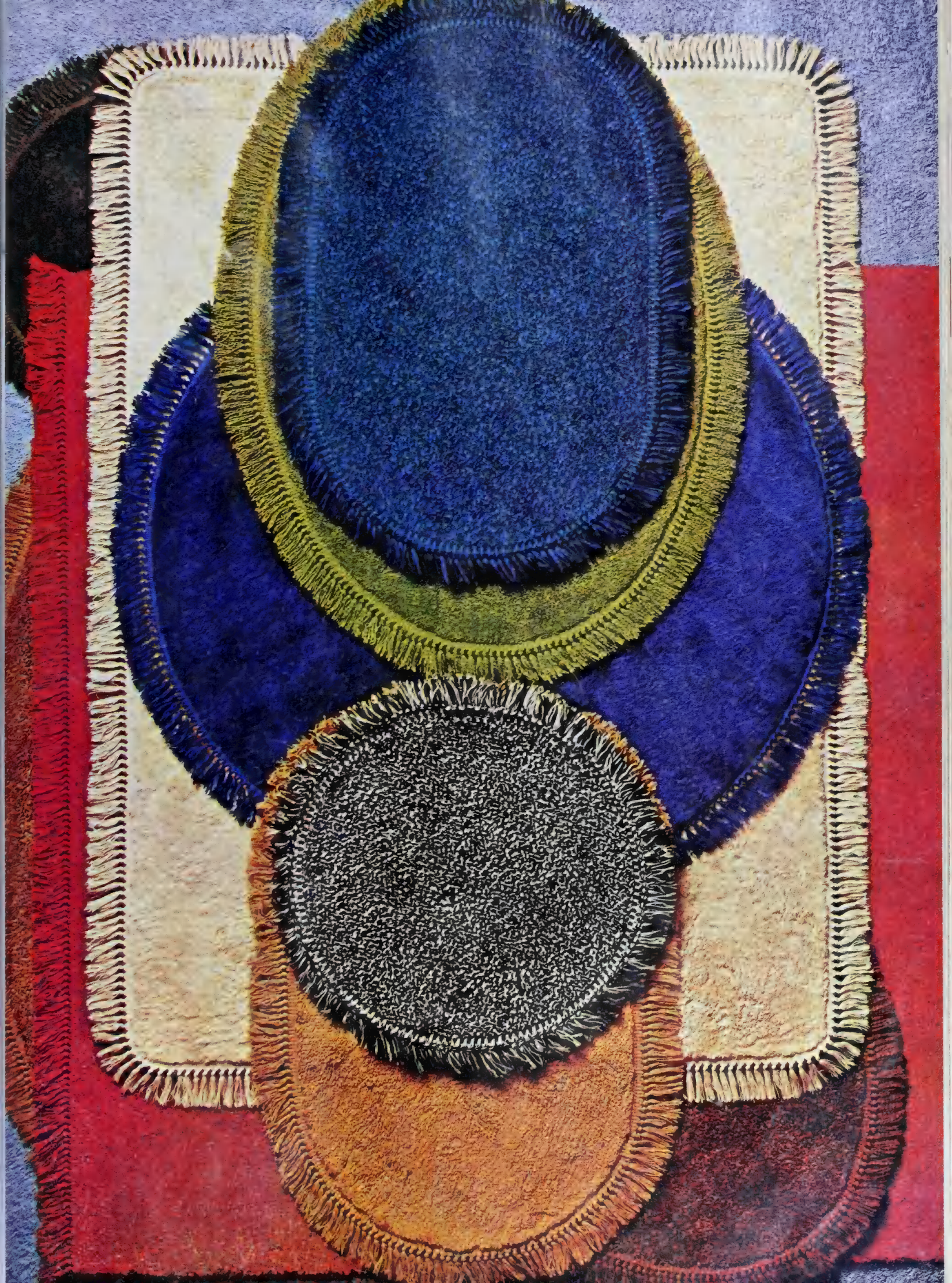
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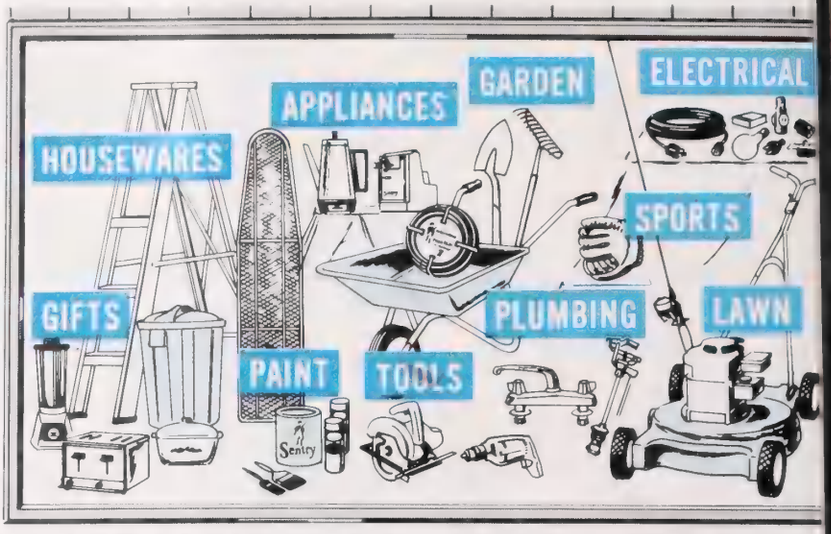
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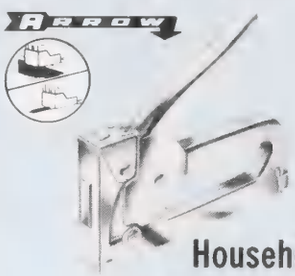


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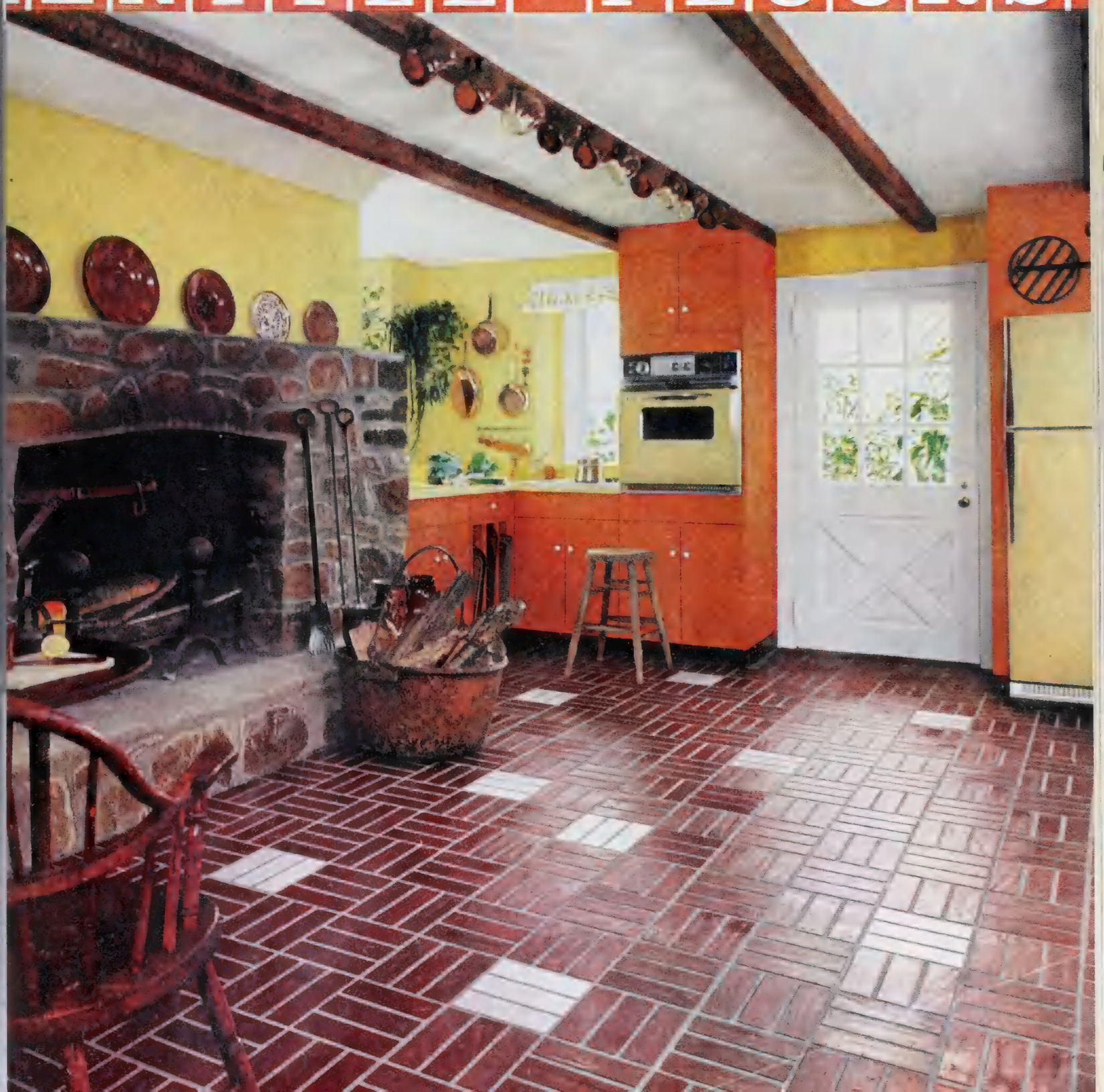
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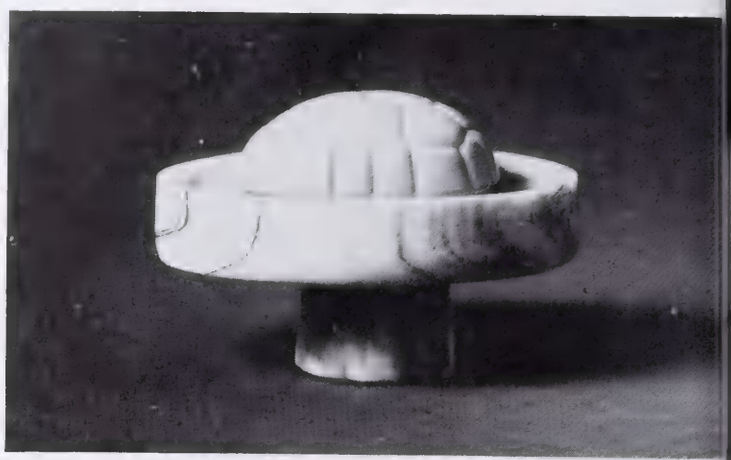


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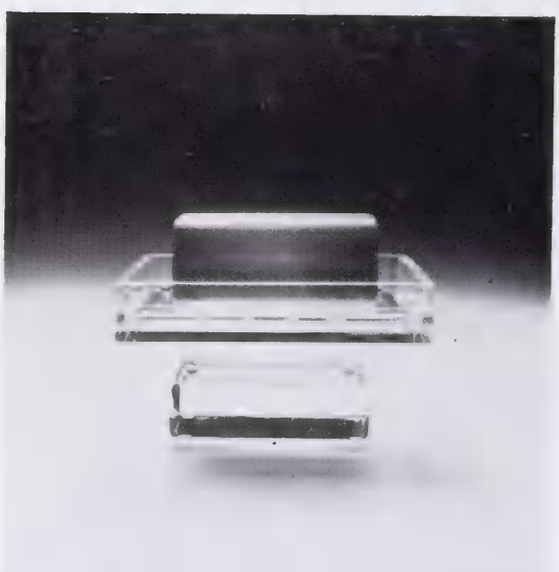
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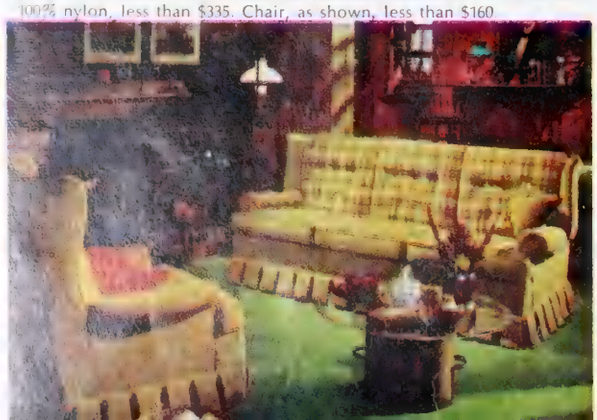
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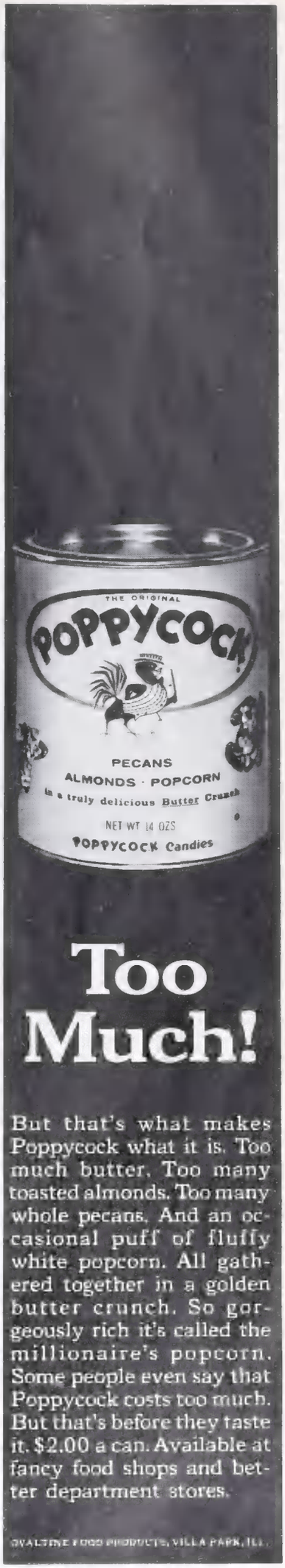


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Well, if you joined the union in Detroit tomorrow, and started work in the building trades as a common laborer, that's what you could make. A package of payments amounting to $5.65 an hour was the settlement for laborers, following the 85-day strike last year in that city. Now, granted, some days you wouldn't work—that's the nature of the construction trades. And you'd have to pay union dues. But it would be fair to put the average wage and benefits at $10,000 a year, before taxes. In the same contract, carpenters won $7.86 an hour; bricklayers, $8.25, and plumbers gained the most, $8.51. (That last wage offers a potential package of $17,700.80.)

Nationally, the average hourly wage is $5.17 for the seven basic trades in the building business. All figures from the U.S. Dept. of Commerce.

New double-hung window

What could possibly be new about a double-hung window? The finish. If you've painted windows recently or paid to have them painted, you know the aggravation and/or cost involved. Now Andersen Corp. has added its Perma-Shield (vinyl) cladding to Narroline windows, the firm's existing collection of double-hung window stylings.

Rigid white vinyl covers the outside of the Ponderosa-pine sash and sill, and while Andersen claims the vinyl surface will need no painting for at least 10 years, I'd be willing to stick my neck out and say at least 15 years. Vinyl is a tough material. And, by the way, this now means that Andersen offers Perma-Shield cladding for its double-hung, casement, awning, and picture windows, as well as its gliding doors.

Interior surfaces of the ne double-hung series are of unfin ished wood, to be stained o painted in tones that match th room décor. The windows ar fitted with removable, rigid viny grilles (easier window cleaning) and are available with insulatin glass. For more information write the company, Bayport Minn. 55003.

Dimmer for your lamp

Since our lighting story ap peared in April, we've had re quests for information on device that would dim the lights in a room, at relatively low cost.

First, there are a number o replacement wall switches wit dimmer dials. Nearly all hardware and electrical-equipment store carry them. One of these unit would replace the existing on-of switch on your wall, using the same two lead wires, and dim al those lamps on the circuit.

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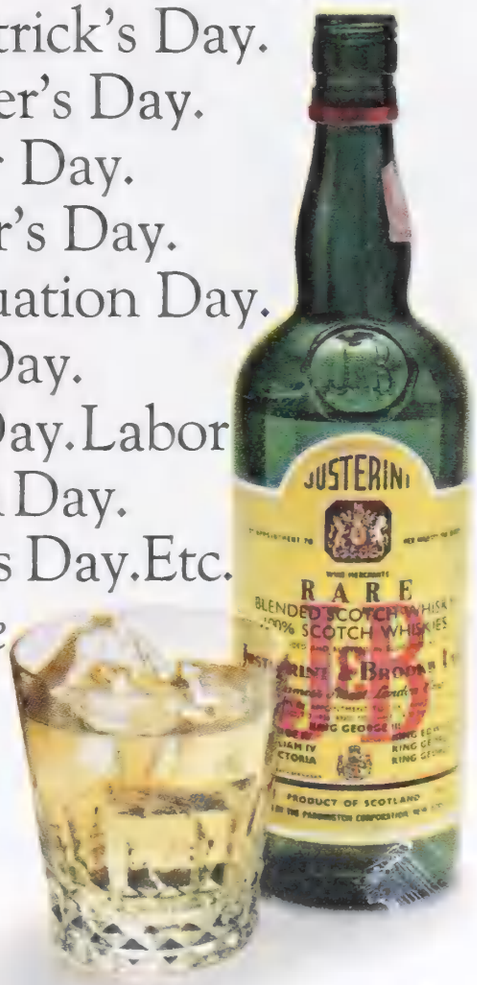
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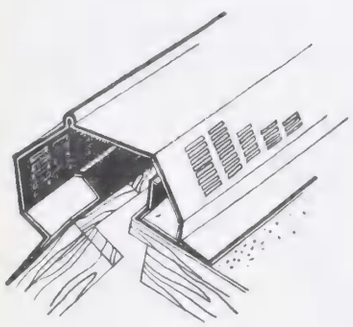
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an unvented attic is almost as much of a moisture collector in all seasons and heat collector in summer, as a covered glass terrarium sitting in the sun. A lack of ventilation in winter is especially damaging. House moisture travels up to the attic on currents of warm air, then condenses on the underside of the cold roof. Many a "roof leak" has turned out to be condensation.)

First to produce ridge vents



was Home Comfort Products. The company's Vent-a-Ridge is available in aluminum or galvanized metal. Then, Leslie Welding introduced a plastic version, made from ABS. Now Reynolds Metals has joined the group with two styles produced from aluminum. For information, write the companies: H. C. Products, Box 68, Princeville, Ill. 61559; Leslie Welding Co., 11241 W. Melrose St., Franklin Park., Ill. 60131; and Reynolds Metals Co., 325 W. Touhy Ave., Park Ridge, Ill. 60068. Unit shown: Reynolds.

Regal kitchen cans

For that inevitable trash and or garbage bag in the kitchen, there's now a container classy enough to stand in the living room without looking like a stranger. Yet it's rugged and sanitary, has a step-on pedal connected to the can top, and sells for around $16 at department stores. The secret: plastic—tough, long-wearing polypropylene molded to resemble traditionally paneled furniture, and



finished in a walnut, oak, or moss-green wood grain. Overall height is 16½″; diameter, 11″. The name is "Brentwood." If you can't find it locally, write for the nearest source to Superior Products Division, Globe Rubber Products Corp., 9401 Blue Grass Rd., Philadelphia, Pa. 19114.

Potpourri on paint

Color is our subject in this issue. A few notes on paint and paint products are in order.

• You can, for example, have a fire-retardant latex paint applied to an interior wall, if you feel there is a particular need to do so. Don't misunderstand. Latex paints—the vinyls and acrylics—are not flammable. But, subjected to flame, the paint surface would disintegrate in a few minutes, and the subsurface would be exposed to fire. If you want to protect the subsurface, specify fire-retardant latex. It contains compounds known as intumescent materials which foam on contact with flame and form insulation for the surface beneath the paint. Under $14 a gallon: by Sherwin-Williams, Cleveland; its Martin-Senour Division, Chicago; Pratt & Lambert, Buffalo; to name three.

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Shopping spree.

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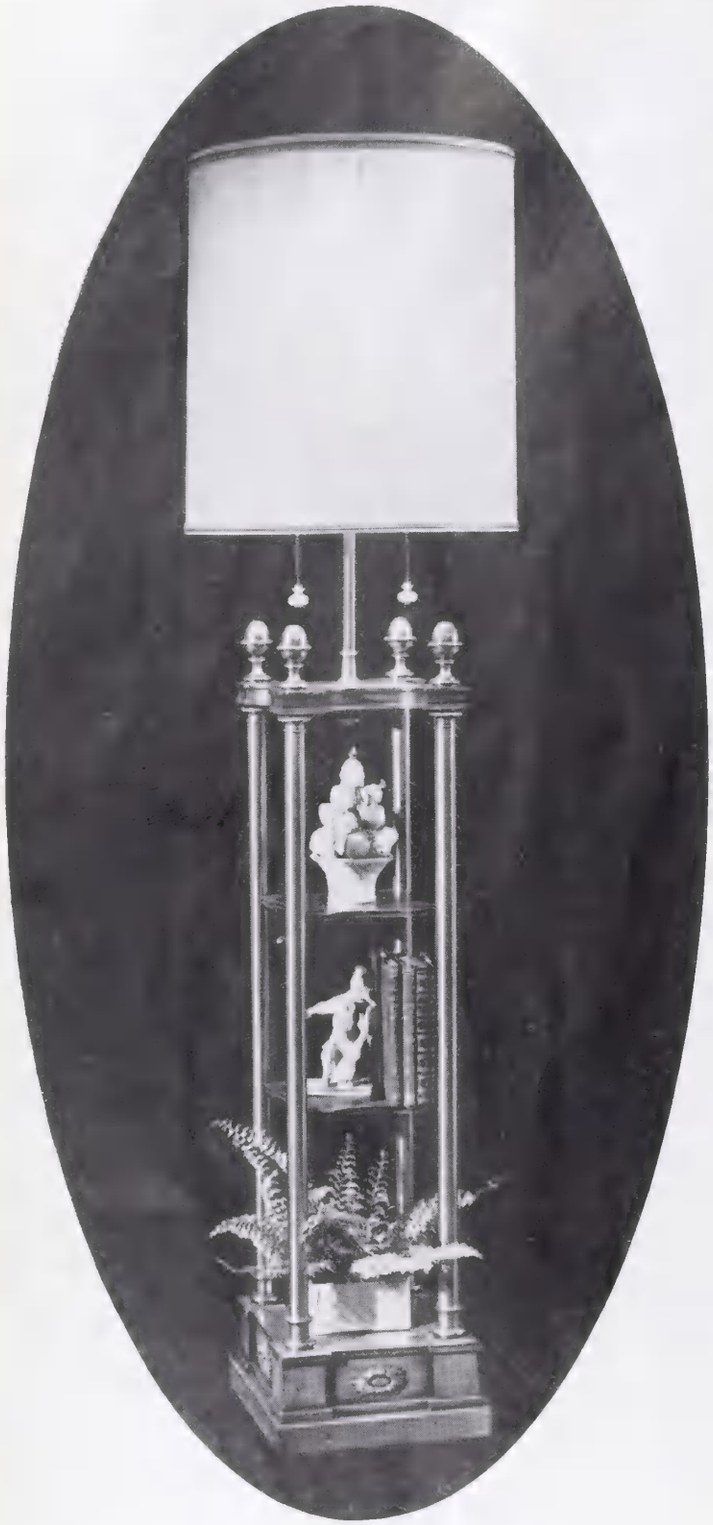
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Controls the flow. Called Pour-Ezee, it sells for about 60 cents in paint and hardware stores. By Weil Tool Co., P.O. Box 64, Woodmere, N.Y. 11598.

• Need to paint a wire fence around your pool? Or the concrete block making up your house foundation? There are wide paint rollers with heavy lamb's-wool nap now to make such work go much faster. Latest on the scene is simply called Fence Painter. Made by E Z Paint Corp., 4051 S. Iowa Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. 53207, and should be available in hardware and paint stores.

Townhouse communities

Sounds as though the words shouldn't mix, right? A townhouse is an in-city attached home. Community implies something planned for a greenbelt around the city, or for rural fields. Yet clusters of 60 to 600 townhouses are appearing in suburban areas from Atlanta to Seattle.

What do they do for you? Provide more security than a single-family house on a secluded lot; offer the camaraderie of a more cosmopolitan area without many of the disadvantages (like air pollution), and give you a wide range of prices, from surprisingly low to exorbitant.

Many of these planned townhouse projects provide for continuing management to maintain the grounds and house exteriors, as well as keep up recreational facilities, such as pools and community centers. Among these are communities inspired and organized by a central marketing group called Data Core. This firm has initiated over ten townhouse communities near such cities as San Diego, Houston, Albany, and Denver. It plans ten more this year and another ten in 1970. To date, they've pegged two-, three-, and four-bedroom house prices in a range from the low $20,000's to about $35,000. For further information and the location and name of these projects, write to Data Core, P.O. Box 6176, Cherry Creek Station, Denver, Colo. 80206.

Pump for home use

Maybe you need a pump around your home only three or four times a year. But when the need arises, not having one handy is frustrating. Now there's a mini-size, portable electric pump sold with tubing already attached for around $40. You might use it to empty a basement of water; operate as a bilge pump for your boat at dockside; de-water swimming pool covers in springtime, or bring a potable water supply from a spring to a weekend lodge tank.

It's called Mini-Vac; will pump 250 gallons per hour, and is strong enough to lift water a distance of 20 feet. Should be in hardware stores, or write for information to Simer Pump Co., 207 Humboldt Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn. 55405.

Instant vinyl floor

How do you feel about do-it-yourself projects? Too time-consuming? Messy? You're all thumbs? A friend of mine thought so, and yet she overcame her unhandy self-image and thoroughly enjoyed laying Goodyear's new adhesive-backed vinyl tile in the family's laundry and utility room. She's inspired enough now to try it on the den floor.

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By Helen McCully

Nobody ever tells you these things . . . about food and drink

From the kitchen of our food editor come helpful answers to some of the common but often puzzling questions in cookery

What do you do when a cork breaks in a wine bottle?

Stick a long skewer or sturdy needle (a knitting needle would work fine) through the cork to release the immediate pressure behind it. Then you can use an ordinary corkscrew (not a cork extractor) to get the cork out in the usual way.

What is a sirloin tip?

Let's look at the sirloin, which is the end of the loin section of the animal (see HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, April issue), as a whole. It is from this section that we get sirloin roasts and steaks. The steaks from this section are: *pin-bone sirloin, flat-bone sirloin, wedge-bone sirloin,* and *boneless sirloin.* The amount of bone varies greatly. To get the best, choose a steak with a good "marbling," and a moderate amount of surrounding fat. It is well to note here that the names of these steaks may vary from region to region, but if you keep in mind the section from which these steaks come you should be able to identify them to your butcher wherever you live. The sirloin steak is very large, making it a most desirable cut for a big-steak family or a party. Best to broil. The sirloin roast, the classic English roast of beef, is in the opinion of the British better than a rib roast. Now we come to the sirloin tip. A boneless cut with very little waste, it is available as both a roast and a steak. Although not quite as tender as a true sirloin, prime or choice can be oven-roasted (other grades should be braised as a pot-roast), and steaks broiled, pan-broiled, or braised.

What does noisette mean in cookery?

Noisette, the diminutive of *noix*, meaning nut, is the French for hazelnut, which we in the U.S. call filbert; it also means hazel-colored or brown. *Le beurre de noisettes* is a mixture of butter and browned hazelnuts (filberts) that have been pulverized. Used in soups and sauces: *la sauce noisette* is sauce Hollandaise made with *beurre noisette* (brown butter) or *beurre de noisettes*: *les pommes de terre noisette* are potatoes shaped to look like hazelnuts (filberts), then browned slightly in butter. Used as a garnish in the professional kitchen. Also, *noisette* can mean small pieces of lamb, mutton, veal, beef, and, sometimes, fish.

Do you pare, peel, or scrape carrots?

In the 1896 edition of *The Boston Cooking-School Book* (now known as "Fannie Farmer"), it reads, "wash and scrape." The latest edition (1959) of this famous book says, "Wash or scrub *young* carrots with a stiff brush. Scrape *old* carrots with a wire brush, metal sponge, or with a vegetable peeler." Actually, since scrape means to "remove the outer surface," scrape and peel are the same thing. It is worth noting that pare and peel are also synonymous. Carrots used to season—a broth, for example—need only a good washing.

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What types of salt are available?

Iodized, for one, which provides iodine for those who live in areas where there is little of the trace mineral iodine in food naturally; *free-flowing table salt*, which has been treated to retard moisture absorption and, thus, caking; special forms of salt for pickling, labeled "*pickling salt*" (kosher, the purest of all salts, can be used for pickling most satisfactorily but it should be used in a somewhat larger quantity than pickling salt). Note: Table salt tends to cloud the brine in pickling; both *granulated* and *flake salt*, available only in certain parts of the country, have the same strength but do not measure the same. If flake is used, the measure should be increased by about one-third; *kosher*, because of its large, sparkling crystals, absorbs moisture very slowly, if at all, so is ideal in high-humidity weather. Chefs and good cooks find it an excellent substitute for *gros sel*, used extensively in France.

Do you test baked custards for doneness in the center?

It depends. If the custard is to be served cold, you should insert the blade of a knife *an inch or two off center*. If the knife blade comes out clean, that is, without any of the mixture clinging to it, the custard is cooked sufficiently—the center will still "shiver"—since it goes on cooking after it comes from the oven—but will be firm when cold. If, on the other hand, it is a type of custard that is served hot (a Quiche Lorraine, for example, or a Cheese-and-Onion Pie), insert the knife blade *in the center*. Again, the blade should be free of any of the mixture.

Does "gravy and beef" mean the same as "beef and gravy" on a can?

No. In *Today's Food Market* (Kansas State University) they say that if the label on frozen or canned meat products reads "gravy and beef" it means you are buying more gravy than meat; but if, on the other hand, beef is first, and the label reads "beef and gravy" there will be more meat. A nice little tip that should teach us all to read labels starting at the left.

What is fondue?

Fondue, from *fondre*, means melted. Gastronomically, *fondue de fromage* is a famous Swiss dish composed of grated natural Swiss cheese (either Gruyère or Emmenthal or a combination of both), melted, with a whisper of garlic, pepper, dry white wine, and kirsch. *Fondue au fromage*, a Brillat-Savarin recipe, is the name for a dish of scrambled eggs made with cheese. The American version of the classic Swiss dish is an uninspired casserole consisting of milk, bread crumbs, grated cheese, whole eggs, and seasonings, baked in the oven. Then we have beef fondue, sometimes called *fondue bourguignonne*, which has only one thing in common with the Swiss, in that you eat it as you do fondue. Thus, spear cubes of raw beef on long forks and cook it at the table in bubbling oil. There is also *chocolate fondue*, a hot chocolate mixture into which pieces of cake or cookies are dipped before eating. Finally, *fondue* is also used to describe vegetables cooked in butter or a mixture of butter and oil for a very long time until reduced to a pulp, i.e., they become fondues, *Fondue de tomates*, for example.

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What are the various types of bacon?

The best known, undoubtedly, are the regular cured, smoked bacon slices, available in ½-, one-, and two-pound packages. As a matter of interest, bacon must be fat to be good—"the leaner, the better" is a fallacy. It can be too lean. Over and above the standard sliced, we have: *wafer-thin* or *thin-sliced*, more slices to the pound, packaged in eight, twelve, or sixteen ounces; *thick sliced*, fewer slices to the pound, available in 1½- and two-pound packages; *pre-fried* or *pre-cooked*, requires heating only for two or three minutes, available in five- to six-ounce packages (18 to 20 slices); *canned*, about seven ounces, the equivalent of one pound of uncooked bacon. All packaged bacon must be refrigerated: *slab bacon*, sold by the pound, rind on, for home slicing; *bacon crumbles and bits*, completely cooked, ready to use in casseroles, sandwiches, etc.

What is Canadian bacon?

Canadian (if imported from Canada) or "Canadian-style" (if American) is the loin of the pork with all the bone and most of the fat removed. Fully cooked, it can be used as is, or heated. Available canned, in chunks, or sliced vacuum-packed.

What is beef bacon?

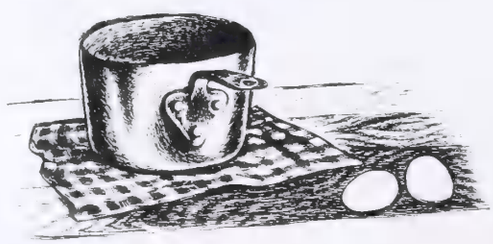
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Can you thaw and refreeze meat?

According to the Research Department of the USDA, you can. In a recent report they say: "Contrary to popular opinion, meat which has been frozen and thawed is no more perishable than meat which has never been frozen. In fact, our research has shown that some of the bacteria which are responsible for meat spoilage do not grow quite as well in thawed meat as they do in unfrozen meat. Further, experiments have shown that beef roasts which have been thawed and refrozen five times were considered just as good by an expert taste panel as roasts which had not been frozen at all." Remember this, however: Either fresh or frozen meat should always be kept as cold as possible.

What does civet mean in cookery?

It's the French for a ragout (meaning stew) of game. Primarily rabbit, hare, or venison. ■





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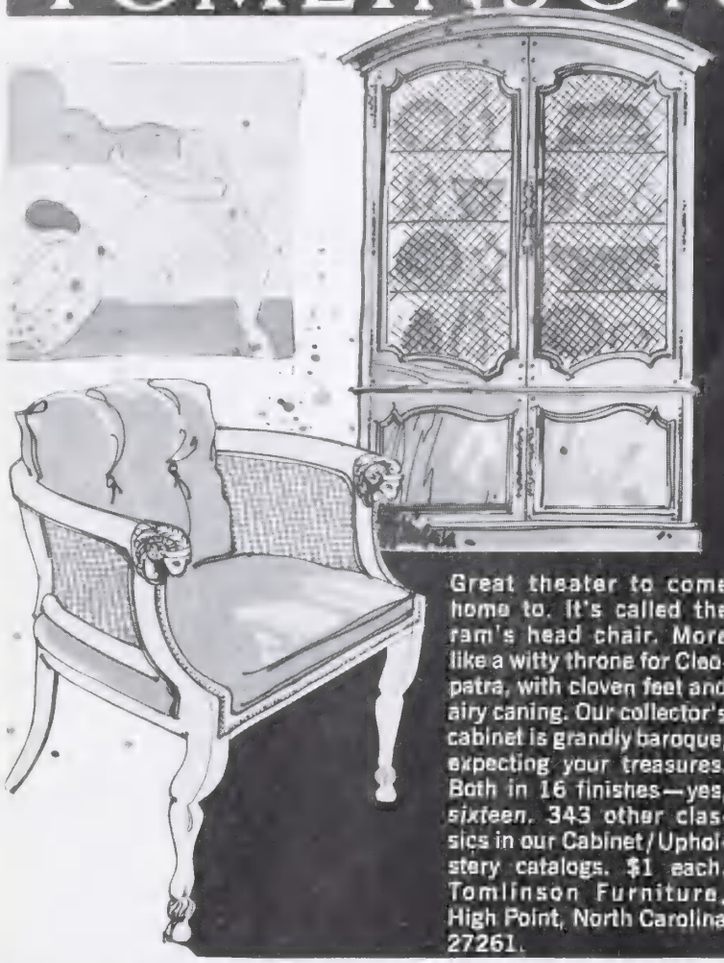


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By Tacy Bowman

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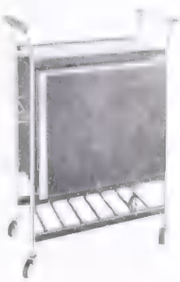
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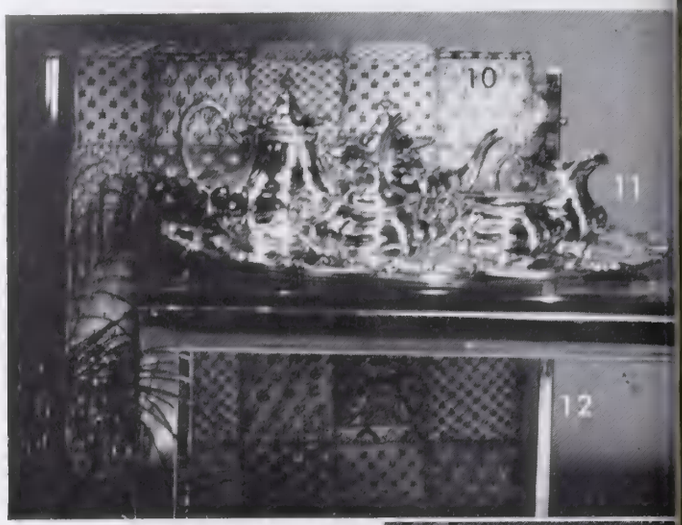
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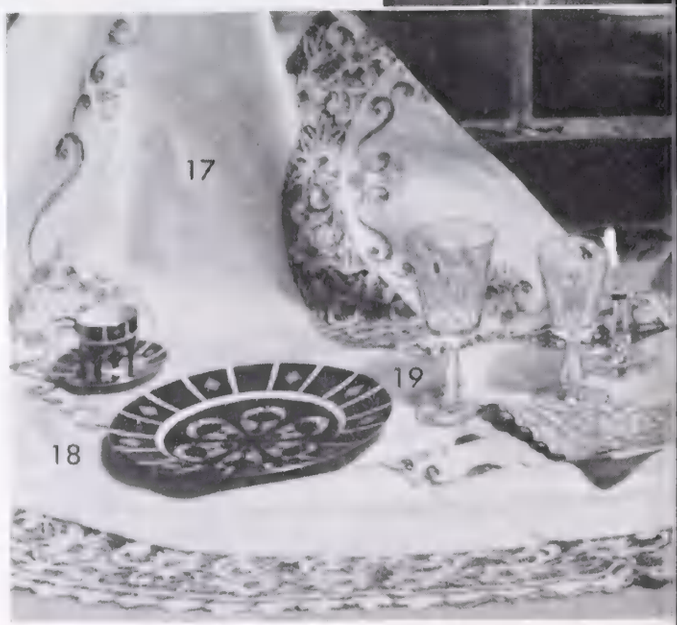
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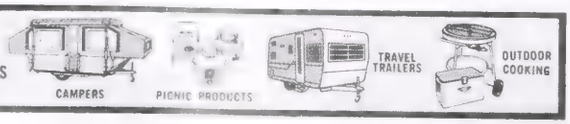
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Some of the earliest flowers of spring are yellow, as if nature knew that this was the spirited color needed by winter-weary eyes. But yellow is equally prominent at the close of the season—a reassuring send-off for the neutral shades of winter.

For my purposes, both indoors and out, there is nothing like yellow. Flowers of that color look better in my beach garden than any others: the glowing color contrasts beautifully with the gray-shingled house and shows up handsomely against the weathered cedar fences. Luckily for me, there are yellow flowers that bloom in partial shade, as my garden is full of old holly and cedar trees. There is nothing so refreshing in the small entrance courtyard as a smashing big bouquet of marigolds or zinnias in yellow shades.

I like yellow flowers in the house as well as in the garden. That color looks especially w in my white-and-green studio l ing room with its great no window brightening the room a giving it a cheerful, sunny lo The other rooms in the house painted white and, of course, them anything goes, the more orful the better.

Many yellow flowers are la and showy, and the color, brig and distinct, carries well at a d tance, lighting up the sha places.

When you select flowers for color garden, yellow or any oth choose clear tones so that the fect is unmistakable. Variatio in a given color add a fascinati dimension to the challenge—a fun—of planting a garden of t kind. For example, there is str yellow, lemon yellow, primro yellow, golden yellow, orange y low, pumpkin yellow, and pinki yellow.

If you want flower colors stand out, avoid bicolors—for stance, an iris with yellow sta dards and blue falls—and blen With either of these you are lik ly to get an effect that is mud or indistinct instead of clear a positive. There are, of cours many beautiful flowers that a bicolors or blends, but their pla is not the one-color garden.

While my garden has a sing

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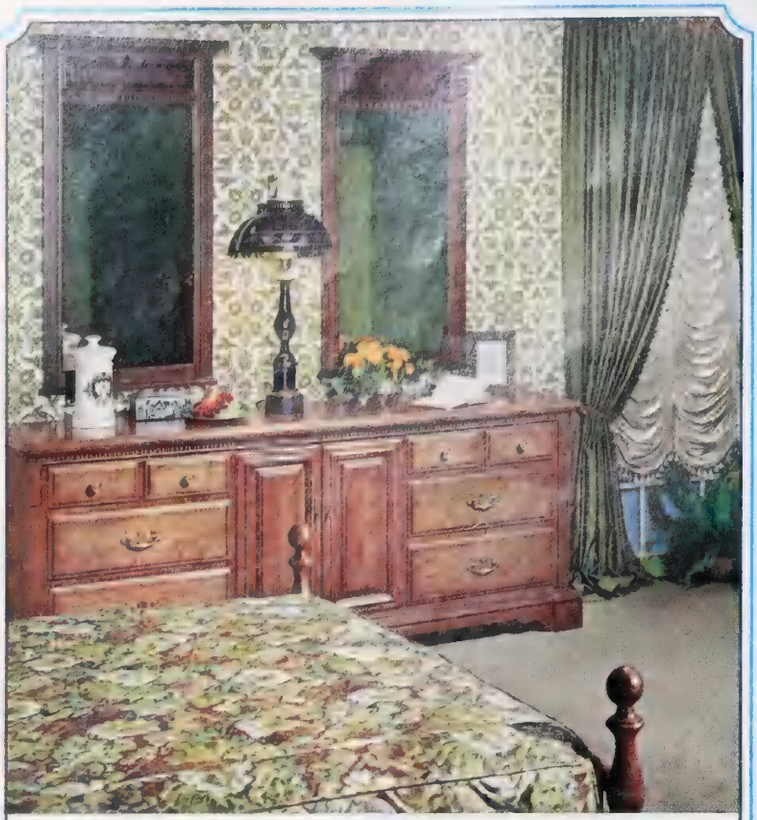
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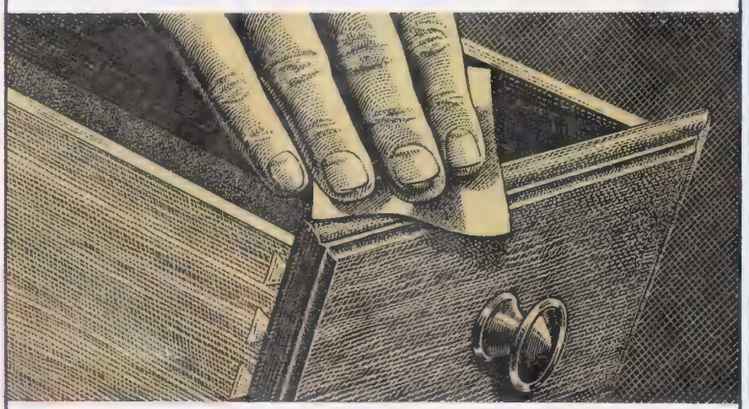
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The bright bloom of yellow

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lar color theme—yellow—I find that other colors in carefully balanced proportions are needed as a foil. White, for example, is particularly good in this scheme. It has the same sparkling quality as yellow and shows up well at a distance. I also have masses of violet and purple because these are among my favorite colors, and they look well with yellow and white. Strictly from the viewpoint of a gardener, the violet and purple flowers I like—sweet rocket, violets, and honesty—happen to grow like weeds in a garden and seed themselves everywhere. Gardening is an individual pursuit, and every gardener can decide on a color theme that produces flowers in the colors that will do the most for his environment.

Garden color schemes are sometimes difficult to control. The colors are not always as described in the catalogs; sometimes the flowers are one color when in bud, another when fully opened, and they may bleach or fade to still another shade. Soil conditions, location in sun or shade, and weather are also factors that control color. But even if your plan doesn't come to life exactly as you thought it would, it will be colorful. Outright color clashes tend to pass quickly as different flowers come in and out of bloom.

A list of selected yellow plants, arranged by months, follows. In some instances the plants bloom for several months. In addition to the perennial list, there are many yellow annuals: calendulas, annual chrysanthemums, cosmos, pansies, feverfew, marigolds, poppies, nasturtiums, snapdragons, portulaca, and zinnias.

MARCH

Kaufmanniana or waterlily tulips, *Crocus chrysanthus*, and *C. moesiacus*.

APRIL

Yellow Dutch hyacinths, a "host of golden daffodils" (from palest creamy yellow to the richest, nearly-orange yellows), primroses, winter aconite, and many single and double early tulips in yellow.

MAY

Doronicum or leopard's-bane, yellow varieties of Darwin, parrot, cottage, and lily-flowering tulips, trollius, dwarf iris, Iceland poppy, basket-of-gold alyssum, late daffodils, *Epimedium pinnatum*, *E. sulphureum*, geum, *Ranunculus repens* (creeping buttercup), *Allium moly*, camomile, columbine, and tulip-poppy.

JUNE

Thermopsis, *Iris ochroleuca*, *I. pseudacorus*, Oriental poppy, lemon daylily, species and hybrids of hardy lilies, especially the Fiesta group, helianthemum, woolly yarrow, hollyhocks, yellow verbascum, coreopsis, *Digitalis ambigua*, geum, helenium, German iris, oenothera, and hybrids of the lutea peony.

JULY

Sedum acre, *S. aizoon*, *Lilium canadense flavum*, yellow meadowrue, daylily, fernleaf yarrow, blanket-flower, *Inula* acaulis, yellow verbascum (mullein), goldenrod, *Rudbeckia* laciniata, canna, gladiolus, foxtail-lily, and globe centaurea.

AUGUST

Henry Lily, seaside goldenrod, early yellow chrysanthemums, all yellow varieties of dahlia, and *Rudbeckia maxima*.

SEPTEMBER

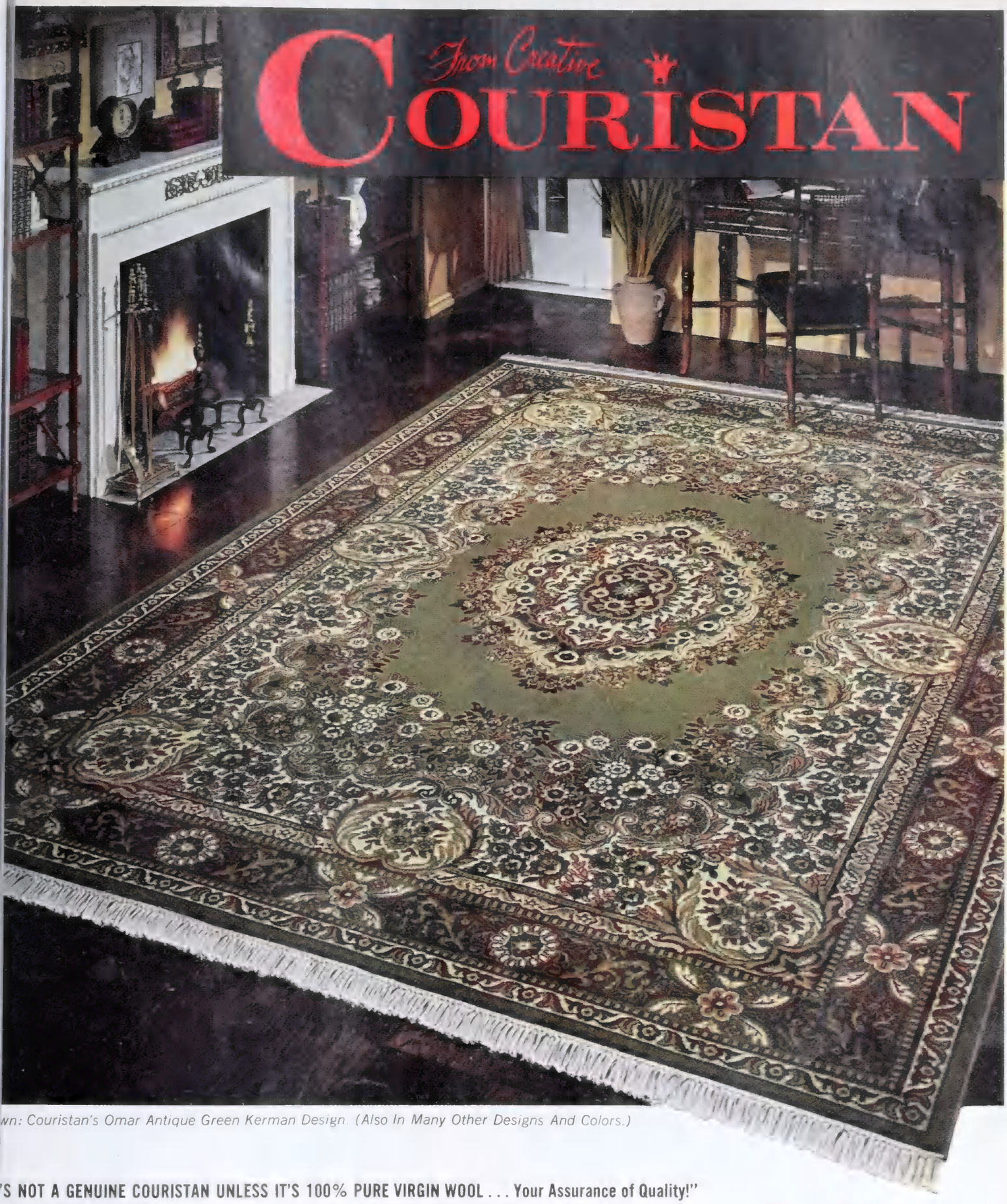
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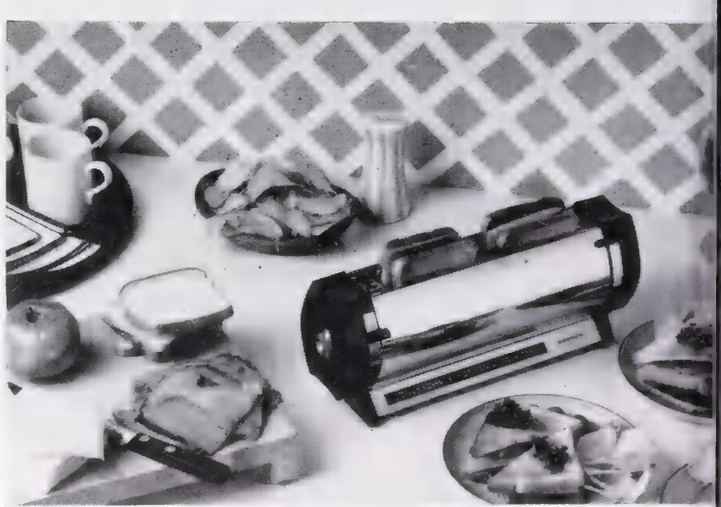
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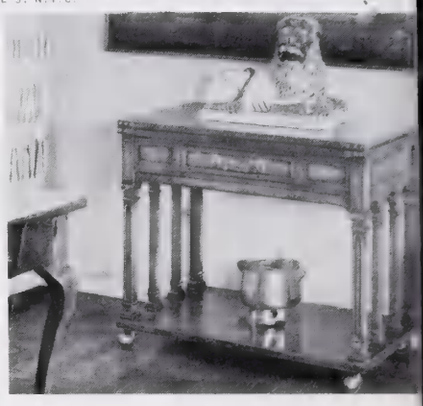
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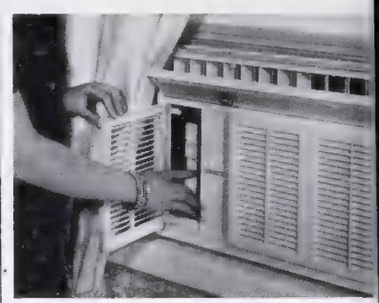
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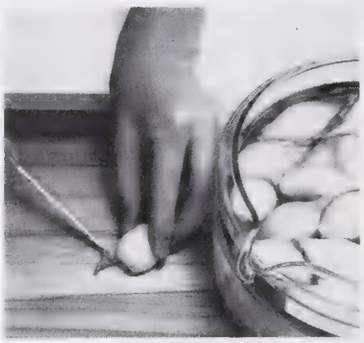
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L'OIGNON BLANC

It is advisable to cook small white onions separately so they will retain their shape, regardless of their ultimate use.



To prepare small white onions for cooking: Drop into boiling water for about 10 seconds, then run under cold water to cool them. Trim off tops and bottoms. Slip off outside skin and first layer. With point of a paring knife, make an X in the root end. This keeps them from falling apart. Drop into boiling water, salted, or broth; cook until you can pierce them with point of a sharp knife.



Small white onions, white-braised, are used to garnish white dishes (fricassees, blanquettes); brown-braised, coq au vin, boeuf bourguignonne. Either can be served "as is," or combined with cream.

I BROCCOLI ITALIANI

An elegant member of the cabbage family. Look for dark green, sage, or purplish bunches, compact heads, and firm stalks.



To prepare broccoli to cook it: Cut off flowerets, allowing about three inches. If large, halve. Peel stalks right down to inside tender flesh. Cut off butt ends. Slice stalks on the bias into 2- to 3-inch pieces. Drop into a large kettle of boiling, salted water. Boil, *uncovered*, 5 minutes. Add flowerets. Boil 5 minutes longer or until stalks can be pierced easily with point of knife. Drain.



Unlike cabbage, broccoli is not served raw. Cooked, however, it is a very stylish vegetable served with melted butter, lemon butter, Hollandaise, or mayonnaise; as a salad with Sauce Vinaigrette.

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Preparing the perfect vegetable

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LA POMME DE TERRE

Potatoes come in five basic types: Round White, Russet Burbank, Russet Rural or Round Russet, Round Red, and Long Whites.



To peel, slice, dice, boil potatoes: Using a potato peeler, peel round and round as thinly as possible. Cut out any eyes remaining. Wash. Dry thoroughly. Halve. Lay cut side down, then slice to desired thickness. To dice, use onion technique (page 155). To boil, in or out of jackets, start in boiling, salted water. Cook covered. Drain. Shake dry over high heat. Cover lightly with towel.



THE BRIGHT SCALLION

Also known as green onion, spring, stone leek, and cibol (Welsh onion). Available throughout the year. Can replace shallots.



To peel, slice, and dice scallions: Chop off root ends; then using your hands pull off the outside layer and any film that clings to the stems. Chop off any damaged or "tired" green tops. Slice the entire length of each scallion down the center. To dice, gather slices into small bundles and cut across, using a firm stroke, to the size dice called for in the recipe, pushing pieces away as you work.





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The pink wicker chair (page 128) and the Goldfinch desk top (page 130) were antiqued with a special frosting kit



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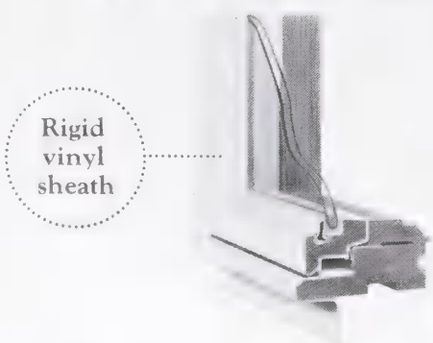
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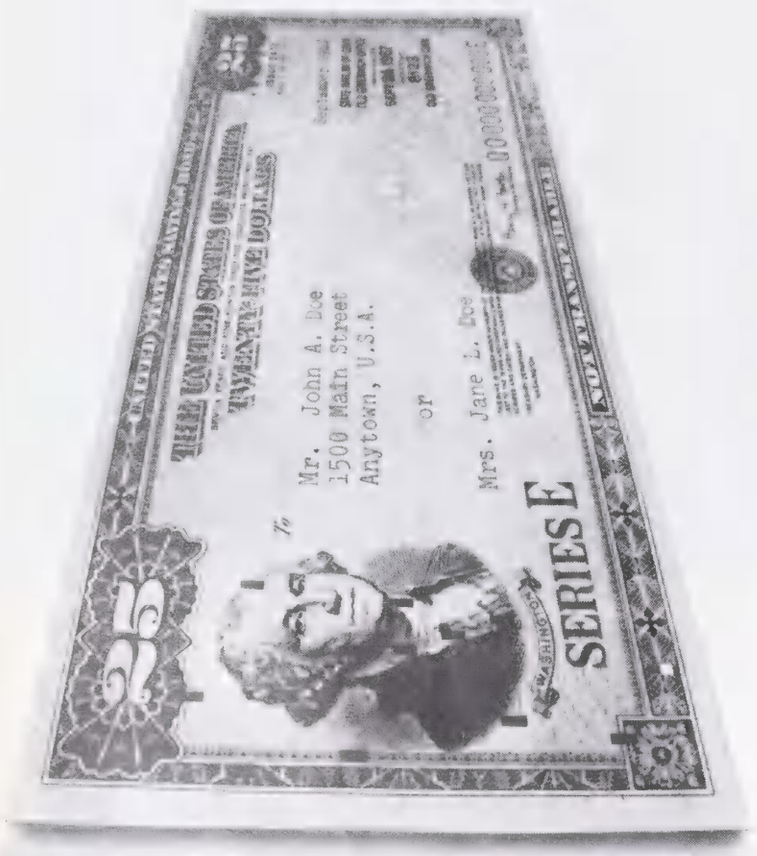
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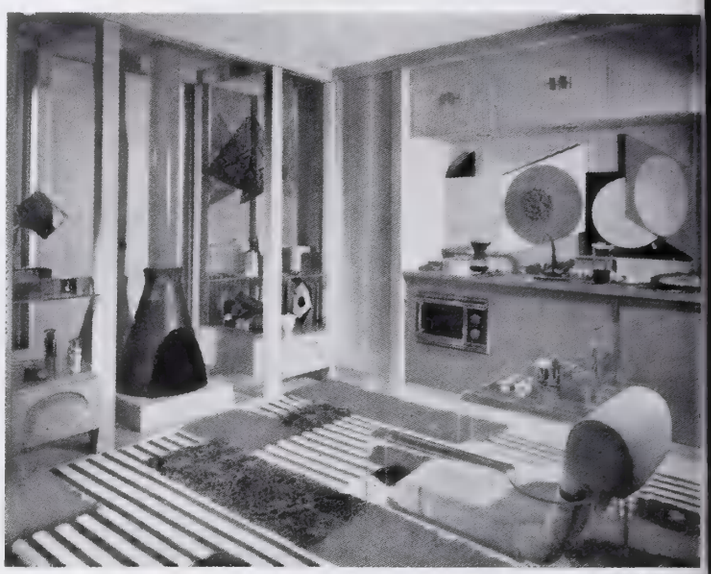


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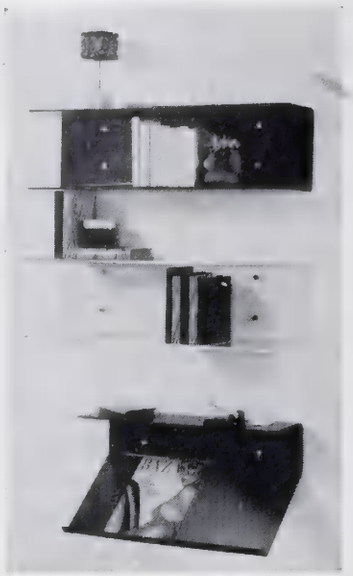
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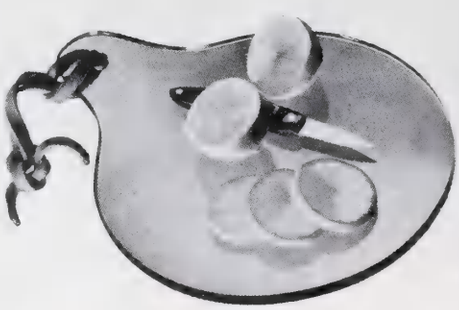
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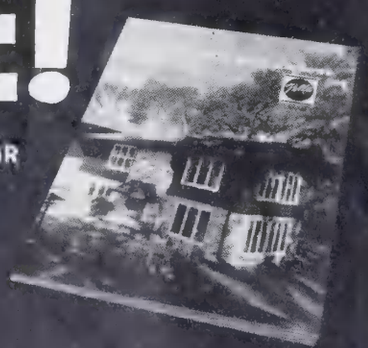


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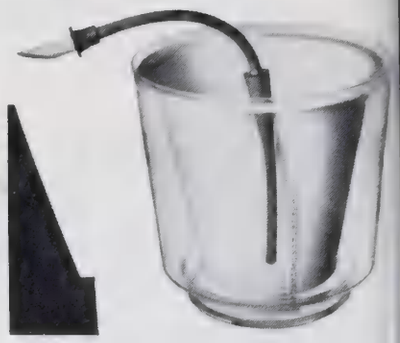
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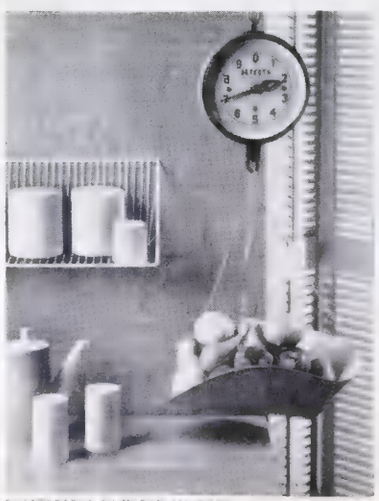


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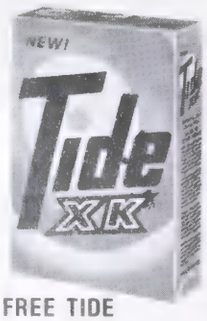
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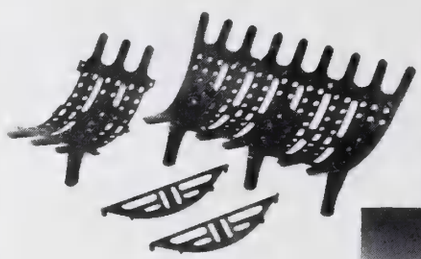
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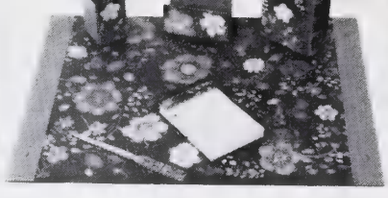
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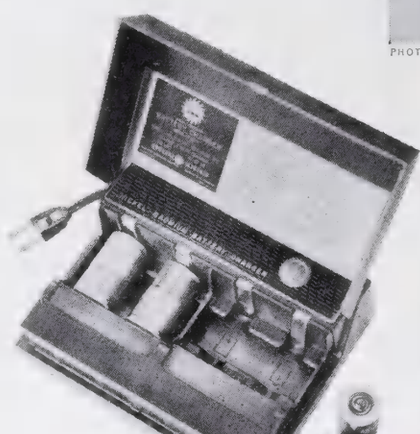
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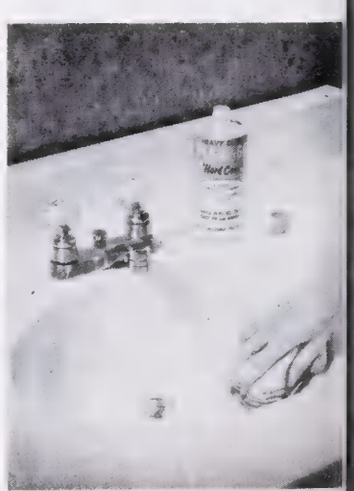


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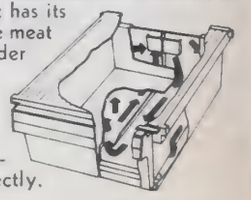


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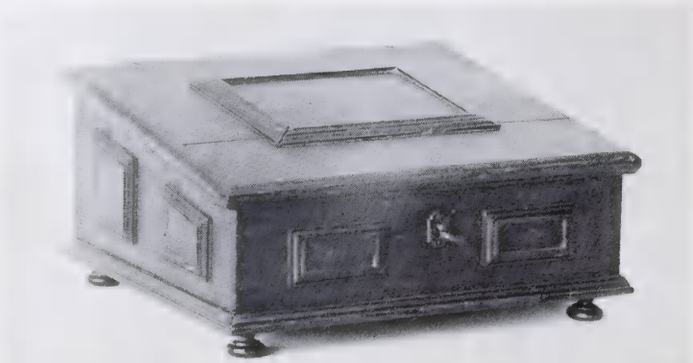
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Empty boxes. Filled-up boxes. Can you remember the sense of anticipation at the sight of a box? The promise of—what? The naughtiness of peeking: Christmas and birthday presents opened sinfully early and then rewrapped. The relief of finally knowing. The disappointment of finding a box empty. Certainly an adventure, this, albeit a modest kind.

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A series of boxes. An oak medicine chest with glass bottles and metal containers. Probably made in Germany in the 18th Century.

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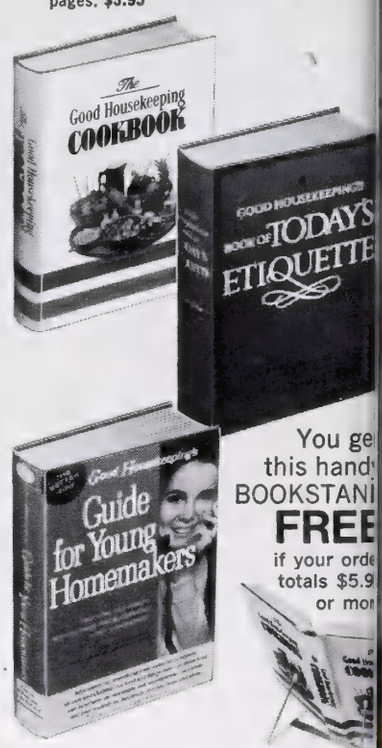
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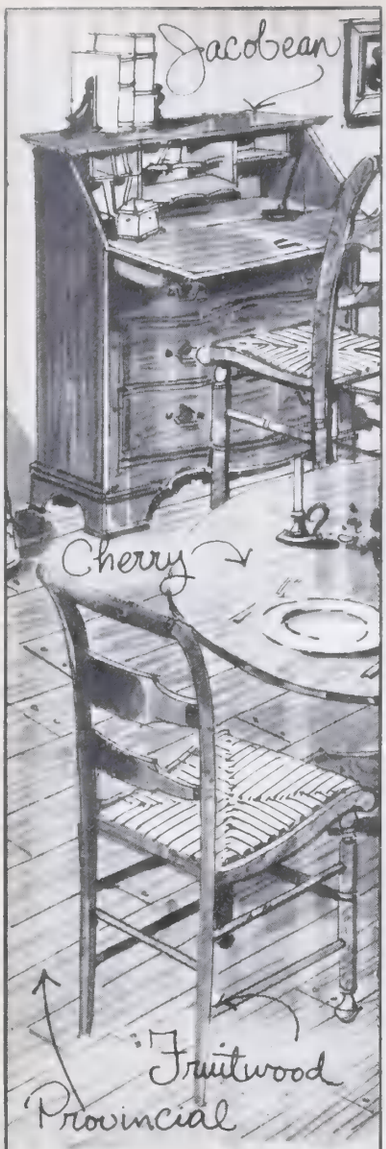


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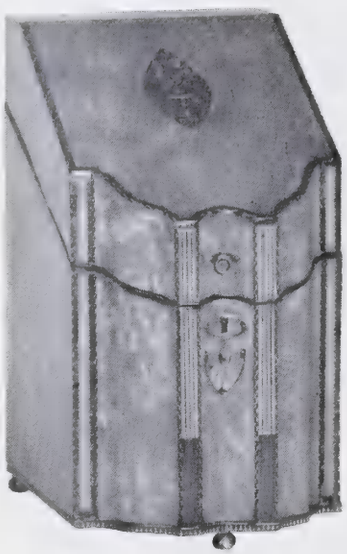
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have always been used for storage, and it is from the simple box that cabinet furniture evolved. Indeed, what is a chest of drawers but a box that contains other boxes, or a wardrobe but a large box that opens vertically?

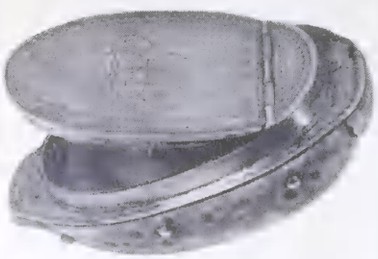
Boxes have been developed to hold specific things—letters, tobacco, gloves, knives, money, medicine, toys, aspirin, cosmetics.



A stand-up knife box, made in England during the 18th Century.

Useful and decorative, boxes are haunted with the nuances of time and place. Kings and men's hale-fellow-well-met social clubs have given boxes to convey appreciation for services rendered. Epic deeds and jolly good times have been commemorated on boxes. Warring nations have exchanged boxes to settle disputes. Women have given boxes to assuage the sorrow of woeful lovers.

The great practicality of boxes. For instance, the patch box. If you think the sixties is the heyday of cosmetics, remember Jezebel, Cleopatra, Catherine Great, Elizabeth I. Where they hide their artifice? Patch pasted near the eye for the fli glow that enchants, came in shapes—ovals, triangles, squa —and so did the boxes that h them.



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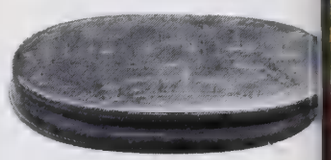
Mix graham cracker crumbs, ¼ cup sugar, and butter. Press evenly on bottom and sides of 9-inch spring form pan. Bake at 350 degrees 10 minutes. Cool.

Beat pot cheese and cream cheese until fluffy. Combine sugar, flour and salt; add to cheese, mixing until blended. Add egg yolks, one at a time, mix well after each. Stir in cream, lemon rind and Cointreau. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry; fold into cheese mixture. Pour cheese mixture into cooled crumb-lined pan. Bake at 325 degrees 1 hour and 15 minutes. Turn off heat and leave in oven 1 hour with door closed. Cool at room temperature. Remove sides from pan and chill for several hours. Makes 10 to 12 ample servings.

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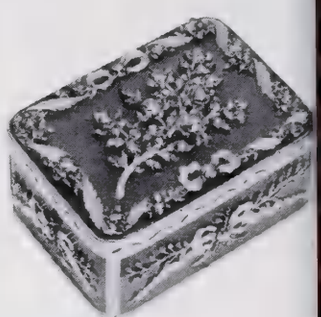


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Gold-mounted snuffbox, inl with a cock and two doves colored stones. Paris, 1786.

To enclose the nasty weed—bacco—the snuffbox. Snuff-taki began in the 16th Century, but was not until a century later th the word "snuffbox" was used recognition of the new hab From the middle of the 17th Ce tury, when taking snuff becar acceptable—even mandatory—t snuffbox was an accessory status.



Gray-agate-and-gold snuffbox wi rose diamond floral motif. Ge many, 19th Century. Two boxe above, A La Vieille Russie, N.Y.

The wide use of snuff-takin sent the craftsman's imaginatio soaring. Intricate carving, lavis designs, brilliant-colored enam ing (combined occasionally wit silver chasing), restrained d signs, delicate paintings of strol ers in the park, sporting scene were all in vogue.

The man of taste had a winte and a summer snuffbox, and o ten the truly sartorially con cerned would have a snuffbox t match his costume.

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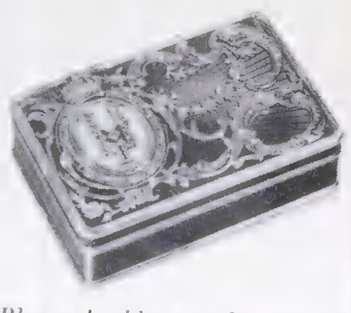
European porcelain factories during the mid-18th Century. The boxes made at Meissen, Sevres, Bow, or Chelsea were executed for a wealthy society, and have never ceased commanding high prices. As a matter of fact, the 18th Century saw such a flowering of unusual specialty boxes that many collectors today concentrate exclusively on this period.



Porcelain snuffbox made at Meissen in Germany about 1750. Gold mounts, raised floral sprigs.

The Industrial Revolution brought rapid developments in technology. *Papier-mâché* boxes, for example, became very fashionable, and were often painted and inlaid with mother-of-pearl. Boxes varied in size from large standing tea caddies to small snuffboxes.

At the end of the 19th Century, another great flowering of the extravagant box took place. Carl Fabergé, the great jeweler of the Imperial Russian Court, created boxes of hard-stone, nugget,



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By Barbara Reed

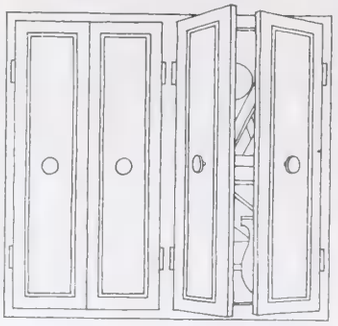
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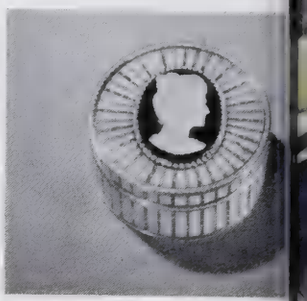
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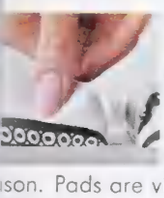
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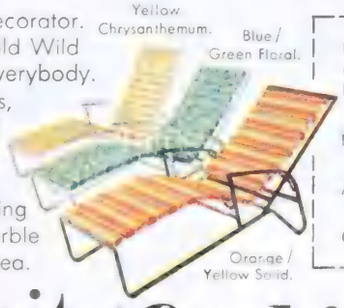


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TRAVEL

BY MARION GOUGH



Where the birds are

Our friends on the wing, found in all sorts of places to tempt world-weary travelers off their own set flight patterns

No apologia for bird-watching, this—but a reminder that these are times that could use much more of the sit-still, watch-and-listen technique that bird-watching requires, a practice that is, after all, the essence of honest-to-goodness, therapeutic holiday, long or short.

Birds—and the rarest of aves—can be observed in the most unexpected perching places. Consider for a moment a northside room in New York's Plaza Hotel—a luxurious bough from which to watch some of the city's more feathery guests—a tiny island sanctuary in a tiny lake in Central Park, a few hundred feet from the hubbub of 59th Street. Off well-traveled North Street in Greenwich, Connecticut, there is a wooded sanctuary frequented by birds the like of which you have probably rarely seen. You may pay them a quiet visit during the week, except for Mondays, when, it has been suggested, the community does its laundry, preening red breasts and blue wings in anticipation of next week's company. In mountainside stillness, near Towaco, New Jersey—yet within view of Manhattan's skyscrapers across the Hudson—birds live in a primeval hemlock forest, their only disturbance a purling brook and their own chirping neighbors. This is Valhalla Hemlock Glen in Morris County, a preserve of the Nature Conservancy and a rejuvenating breath of fresh air about an hour's drive from Manhattan. Suggestion for city visitors—take a half-day out from the madding crowd and sit-watch-listen, and of course do a little hiking. It's like a month in the country.

Across the border from Detroit, Canada offers a lovely avian sea of tranquillity—Point Pelee National Park, near Kingsville, where of an early morning you can glide noiselessly through the rushes in a canoe and observe the marsh birds. In Holland, Amsterdamers and travel-tired tourists do something of the same thing, in flat-bottom boats that drift through the sea-level meadowlands. In France, should you find yourself in the Poitou, land of Eleanor of Aquitaine, stop for a day at Niort, honey-colored, medieval small town, whence you can board a flat-bottom *barque* and row through the 100 Gardens of Marais Poitevin, the tree-cascaded marshlands that Henry IV loved and the birds of forest and wetlands still do. In England, the birds especially favor the banks of the Severn. This lovely river *(Continued on page 220)*

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Catherine the Great chose blue

Marie Antoinette chose white

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COLOR!

In this fanciful pergola are gathered for your regard eight color schemes. Each bird in the natural configuration of his plumage. A clue to paint. silks. wools. cottons . . . the guideline here is not only the major plumage color but the swift, surprise glimpse of other colors—right. exciting. beautiful. On the following sixteen pages House Beautiful shows you rooms with the close harmonies of the meadowlark and cardinal. the splendid dissonances of the bluebird and oriole. the exotic palette of the parakeet. and the tender alliances of lovebirds. What color? What shade of what color? What goes with what? And how much of each? Fly over today's quandary —every-color-under-the-sun-and-moon — on these sure, exquisite wings.

Sarah Tomerlin Lee



"For, lo! The winter is past,
the rain is over and gone:
The flowers appear on the earth:
the time of the singing
of birds is come. . . ."

——SONG OF SOLOMON



Bluebird is a true, clear blue with flashes of warm chestnut... the merest flicker of white

In the stunning entrance hall, opposite, India-inspired, a deliciously cool frieze of trailing plants; a lavishing of pattern; a howdah lacquered gleaming white. The *trompe l'oeil* in the wall-to-wall carpet, by Magee. Designer, Joan Lerrick.

The calm of Bluebird Blue lengthens the long, narrow library, right. Designer, John Fitzgibbons for Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Jemerin's New York City apartment.

Bluebird Blue in the floor-to-ceiling tiles in the kitchen below, copied from a traditional Portuguese design. Señora Maria de Mello's seaside villa at Cascasi, Portugal. Interior designer, Duarte Pinto Cuello.

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"My days have been so wondrous free
The little birds that fly
With careless ease from tree to tree,
Were but as bless'd as I."

— THOMAS PARNELL

Oriole is the glow of brilliant orange flecked with pure white and patches of black



Sharp definition of burnt orange in a contemporary living room, opposite. Furniture, Dunbar. Mitered silk striped pillows, Pillow Concepts. On the wall, an optical illusion fabric by Jack Lenor Larsen. Tangy still, but subtly tempered by a small paisley and period furniture. Oriole in a family garden room, left. The rug, a feathery blend of orange, gray, and white wool. Interior designer, Clifford H. Stanton for Mr. and Mrs. Walter Goldstein, Westhampton Beach, New York.

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"I heard a bird at break of day
Sing from the autumn trees
A song so mystical and calm
So full of certainties."

——WILLIAM ALEXANDER PERCY



Parakeet is all things...an acid-green citrus, sharp pinkish reds... a touch of tart lemon

Glistening with the depth and shadow of moss, a Parakeet Green rug in the dramatic living room, opposite. Pace changers: clear accents of geranium, an adroit use of mirrors. Source-fiber carpeting. Berven. Interior designer, Joseph Braswell Associates for Allied Chemical.

An emphatic sweep of Parakeet, below, in the entrance of a New York City brownstone. Mural, Josh Paskin. Designer, Jay Spectre for Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Flynn.

The pale and fragile way of Parakeet in a sitting room, right. Furniture, Tomlinson. Sofa print by Charles Bloom.

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ERNEST SILVA

Parakeet

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The girlish mood of Parakeet. Happily perverse, the cupboard is a place to read: the padded butter tub, a stool or storage place. All furniture from Thomasville's new Dutch Colony Collection. The vinyl flooring, "Shenandoah" by Armstrong.

"Sweet bird, that shunn'st the noise of folly.
Most musical, most melancholy!"

——JOHN MILTON



Meadowlark is the softest feathering of all... a brace of warm browns with just a sparkle of white under the wing

The tawny warmth of the neutrals in a small conversation corner, right. All opulence and comfort: French wallpaneling, a rare and beautiful Weisweiler table, and Louis XV chairs. Owner, Stephen Spector. All the values of brown, on the next two pages, in boiserie walls, leather, fabrics subtly brightened by off-white. Designer Clifford H. Stanton's dining room and living room in Southampton, New York.

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"You have to believe in happiness,
Or happiness never comes . . .
Ah, that's the reason a bird
can sing—
On his darkest day he
believes in Spring."

——DOUGLAS MALLOCH



Cardinal is the exhilaration of red...a streak of bright scarlet, the delicacy of shell pink

Shiver of reds in today's extrovert idiom found, surprisingly, in the 18th-century living room, opposite. Cardinal Red walls punctuated by white white brackets, a glistening mirror. Furniture, Henredon. Flora-and-fauna print, Charles Bloom. Jolt of pink, Colorado Carnations.

Brilliant cacophony of reds, right, in a neocontemporary living room. Shock of shiny red-lacquered walls. Bed and chest designed by Raymond Loewy for Doubinski Frères. Molded fiber-glass loveseats and armchairs, Italian imports, from Moreddi. Interior designer, David Bruy for B. Altman.

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"I sing of brooks, of blossoms,
birds, and bowers:
Of April, May, of June,
and July-flowers."

——ROBERT HERRICK

Lovebird blue is a tender blue unexpectedly laced with lemon and white



TWO PHOTOGRAPHS BY ERNEST SILVA

Whispery soft and misty, an outrageously pretty dressing room at the end of a master bedroom, opposite. Lovebird Blue chaise and carpeting against the sudden blooming of a wall drenched in bright May flowers. Fabric wall. Brunschwig & Fils. Designer, Melanie Kahane for the Richard Salomons' New York City duplex. Lovebird Blue is piquant in a children's playroom, left. Fabric on daybed and chair. "Garden Stripe" by Patterson Fabrics. The wallpaper by Louis Bowen. In the bathroom, below, wallpaper and window "cloud" curtains. Clarence House. Interior designer, Mrs. Russell Davenport, an associate of McMillen, Inc.



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"The month it was the month of May,
And all along the pleasant way,
The morning birds were mad with glee,
And all the flowers sprang up to see. . . ."
——LOUISE CHANDLER MOULTON

Goldfinch is a warm, bright yellow softened by feathery white... sharp strokes of black



LELAND V. LEE

Party mood, party manners in the dining corner set for a lighthearted evening. left. Against the tartness of lemony walls, an enormous and intricately carved Corinthian console-bar, a shimmering mirror that might reflect the gaiety of an evening in *la belle époque*. Designer, Michael Vincent.



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Grand Tour Second Edition. a 60-piece collection of furniture by Heritage—a kind of Continental adventure. Auntie Mame style. shown on these three pages in an old New York house. decorated in our plumage colors.

The living room. above. in Lovebird Pink with touches of scarlet and white. Delicately scaled settees. $522 each. Saucy Venetian coffee table. $110. English desk chair. $243. Étagère. $400. On walls. Everfast's "Wisteria."

IN THE ROMANTIC IDIOM

A new group of furniture that speaks the many languages of 18th-century Europe

IN THE ROMANTIC IDIOM

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A play of pattern in the dining room, right, our Parakeet Green accented with lemon and pimiento. The fern-drenched fabric, "Antigua" by Everfast, curtaining windows, camouflaging walls, and covering chair seats. A foil for the gently curved table with gleaming cherry-veneer top and boldly fluted legs. $420. Ornately carved side chairs, $210; armchair, $289. In the corner, a fanciful patterned cabinet, $289. The massive credenza, below, worthy of an Italian villa. Silk-screened scrolls decorate panels the length of its 91 inches. $630. The majestic sweep of desk, left, with the dash and bravura of Portugal in its magnificent legs. $279. Wallcovering behind the desk: Everfast's Zepel-treated "Wisteria Birds."

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The rules defined, now start to play. Take color—deeper, truer, locked into space-age materials. Play one against the other. The prize: fresh optical pleasures. On these six pages, a round of backgrounds and accents—all in House Beautiful's plumage hues. From the tiniest Goldfinch cream pitcher to a stainless chair outlined in Cardinal.

The color game:

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1. Sunshine captured underfoot. A mix of Oriole and Goldfinch. Armstrong's Corlon vinyl flooring at $1.15 a square foot, installed. **2.** A new see-through. Wilmar's lamp, 25" high. Bluebird Blue knife-pleated shade, $54. **3.** The bright impertinence of a red face, huge numerals. Howard Miller's wall clock for Raymor, $16. **4.** Glass mushrooms in shades of Parakeet Green. From 2¼" to 3" tall: $2.50 to $3.50. Viking. **5.** Cardinal Red dashed with Goldfinch in a luscious shag area rug, appropriately named "Shagadoo." Made of 70-percent Acrilan, by Cabin Crafts. 6′ by 9′. $224. **6.** A wicker flight of fancy in a new finish. "Frostique" by Martin Senour. (For details on how to use the glaze and its intriguing textures, see page 84.) **7.** A vinyl-covered table, the hint of a flower full-blown, and chairs to fit as snugly as petals. These, covered too in shiny vinyl. Designed by U. Nappolo and G. Raimondi for Stendig. Available through architects and decorators. **8.** From Denmark, a Cardinal glass vase lined in white, 20" tall. $30 from Svend Jensen. **9.** In the time-honored tradition of wood-turning: an armchair in white lacquer. $485 from John Mascheroni. Upholstered in the precisely machined geometry of the 20th Century: a chevron-printed suede cloth from Connaissance. **10.** A bright gathering of House Beautiful's plumage colors—here on an Everfast cotton chintz, treated with Zepel. "Wisteria Birds." 44" wide. $2.50 a yard.



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11. Parakeet Green laced with white in an Everfast Zepel-treated cotton saileloth. "Antigua" by name. 54″ wide. $2.75 a yard. **12.** A molded stainless-steel shape softened with Cardinal Red upholstery. A tomorrow chair designed by G. Raimondi. Available through architects and designers at Stendig. **13.** In Cardinal and clearest glass: a goblet. $18; glass. $4; and decanter. $16; hand-blown in Murano. Laveno Italian Ceramics. Lovebird Blue plastic tray. 19″ by 12″. $11.50. Barman International **14.** Goldfinch Yellow tureen posing as a head of cabbage with a leaf ladle. $12. Arthur M. Miller. **15.** To brighten the breakfast hour, an Oriole orange juicer in plastic. It holds a quart. $4. Seabon. 54 E. 54th St., N.Y.C. **16.** A covered saucepan. 1-quart size in Bluebird Blue. $18.50. By Dansk at Lord & Taylor, Fifth Ave., N.Y.C. **17.** "Bamboo" cotton sailcloth from Everfast. Zepel-treated. 54″ wide. $2.75 a yard. **18.** A Parsons table—its bamboo pattern painted by Lemeau for Raymor. 22″ by 22″ by 22″. $65 at Chase Furniture, Silver Springs, Md. **19.** Subtle shadings of Parakeet Green and Meadowlark woven into a nylon and Zefran area rug. 4′ by 6′. $150. Regal Rugs. **20.** Lovebird Pink pillows, appliquéd or eyelet-edged. $6.75 each from Gloria Shavel. **21.** The shock of Oriole in plastic stacking tables designed by Tavalino for Beylerian. $45 each. **22.** Bright hang-up, shaped like an arrow. It's a coat rack and mirror, too. $15. Raymor.



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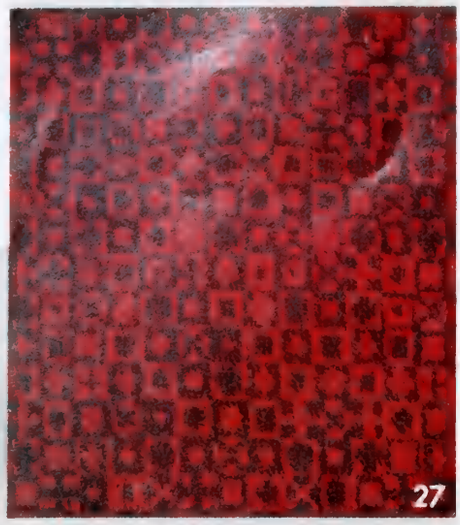
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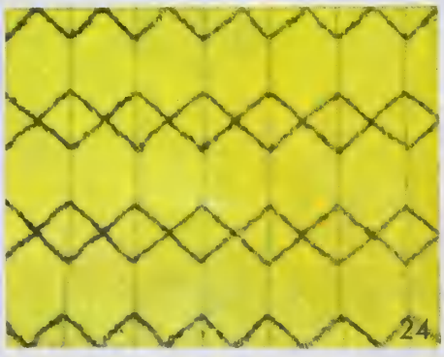
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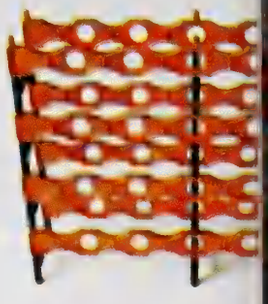
23. Acanthus leaves in Bluebird Blue intertwine in "Sharmaine," a towel (sheets, too) from Cannon. A happy summer thought for the bath: a wire basket of sea-shell soaps and a giant sponge. The basket, $7, from Scarabaeus, 223 E. 60th St., N.Y.C. **24.** Goldfinch area rug of nylon and Zefran, "Mirza," 4′ by 6′, $150, Regal Rugs. **25.** Add a dash of brightness in the kitchen: a Prepare 'n' Serve melamine bowl, 1½-quart, $3; fork, spoon, $2 the set; pepper mill, $8—all at Seabon, 54 E. 54th St., N.Y.C. **26.** Solid geometry—composable shapes in bird tones, $10 each, Beylerian. **27.** Cardinal, patterned, in DuPont's 501 Nylon, "Behold" carpet, $7 a yard, Callaway Mills. **28.** The posh of a crushed-velvet stool, unmistakably Parakeet Green, $260, John Mascheroni. **29.** More Cardinal for the kitchen. General Electric's portable mixer, $18. **30.** The fine texturing now available with Martin Senour's "Frostique" finish. (For the whole story, see page 84.) **31.** All in the strong shade of Oriole: a Gabianelli teapot, $30; tray from Switzerland, $6.50; and a Bistro knife, six for $7.50; from Bonniers, 605 Madison Avenue, N.Y.C. **32.** Splurge on the Lovebird Pink rug for the bath. "Elegance," of course. Then find it has a practical side: all nylon and 100-percent washable, 27″ by 45″, $8, Charm Tred Mills. **33.** An Oriole wine rack, in plastic, $7.50, Bonniers. **34.** From Belgium, a wool rug with a fretwork border, 7′ by 10′, $199, from F. Schumacher.



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35. Framed in Parakeet Green, a mirror. $26. Wilmar. **36.** Cardinal, locked into a new material, metacrylate, here a floor lamp designed by Luigi Bambini. $160 at Macy's, N.Y.C. **37.** Waves of plumage colors on a silver pillow called "Op Water." $25. Nettle Creek. **38.** A mighty 12-oz. goblet in Cardinal Red. "Hoffman House." $4. Imperial Glass. **39.** Plywood, bent and pressed, then lacquered to a gleaming finish. A chair designed by Joe Columbo. $175 at Macy's. **40.** A cheery pitcher for cream, $4; a chunky box for salt, $6—both pottery glazed in the softest butter yellow: Peter Breck. **41.** The deepest Bluebird Blue colors this earthenware casserole. $18. Laveno Italian Ceramics. **42.** The beiges and browns of Meadowlark worked into a stylized flower pattern called "All Spice." The coffee pot, $10; cup and saucer, $4.25, all Hearthstone China from Block. **43.** American Olean's ceramic accent tiles in Goldfinch and Meadowlark to spark more conventional schemes. **44.** In the romantic mood of Lovebird Blue, a lily-patterned pitcher, holds 3 pints. $8. Imperial Glass. **45.** In polyester and cotton, the "Maui" series of bed linens to mix and match: a trellised bottom sheet, a floral top sheet and pillow case. The Parakeet Green blanket is "Merino." All from Stevens-Utica. **46.** Belgian linen luncheon mats and napkins, with a white eyelet inset. "Cavacos" in Goldfinch. $25 for a set of eight (four mats and four napkins), imported for Jabarra.



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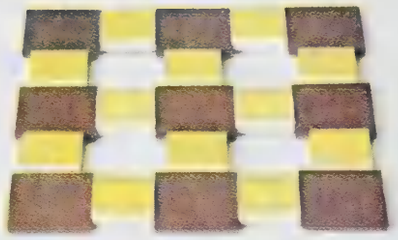
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Orient-inspired furniture with one stroke of color

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Design excitement here in a T-square table with a molding added for the flavor of the Orient. Part of an exotic dining room from the new East Wind Collection by American of Martinsville. We like the table in red, the chairs and cabinets in black-brown. Table, 62″ by 38″, has two 18″ leaves. $260. Armchair with cane back, $70. Side chair, $60. Imposing curio cabinets with glass shelves, backed with wallpaper, 72″ high. $360 each.





WESLEY BALZ

Architectural exuberance in a print brimming with birdhouses

Our plumage colors inspired this delightful printed sheer, "Cage d'Oiseau," illustrating favorite architectural styles from Byzantine splendor, Regency caprice, and Victorian fantasy to Japanese teahouse modern. Shown here screening the morning sun in a garden entrance hall. Fabric and matching wallpaper by Charter House Designs.

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THE SURPRISING NEW RULES OF COLOR

Nature is a daring and sensitive exterior decorator, massing the most unlikely greens together, weaving complexities into singular effects, mingling wild colors recklessly. Consider a bed of zinnias. List their tones, and shudder; look at them, and thrill. More subtle, the colors worn by America's best-loved native birds. At first glance they seem uncomplicated. Not so. The bluebird isn't all blue; its throat is chestnut. The meadowlark's dust-soft tones include a dozen nuances. So rooms borrowing from the natural plumage palette (pages 108-127) come up with unexpected color plans. Summarized from them, this handful of easy rules, not rigid but flexible as feathers, meant to be bent, if not broken, and allowing for your own flights of fancy.

Whir one bold color into its gradations

As in a Cardinal room with a natural feathering of flame, fuchsia, vivid pinks. These take the tension out of level red without losing its excitement, keep the impact of monochrome without risking monotony.

Exalt the eternal chic of neutrals

Enliven the Meadowlark's half-notes with gingery tones, with intense whites. Give dim dove-grays a deeper shadowing of gunmetal and clear it with white slashes. Point up the overall elegance of either family, sometimes, with small areas of warm color mellowed down to mistiness.

Flash a strong exotic against one of equal strength

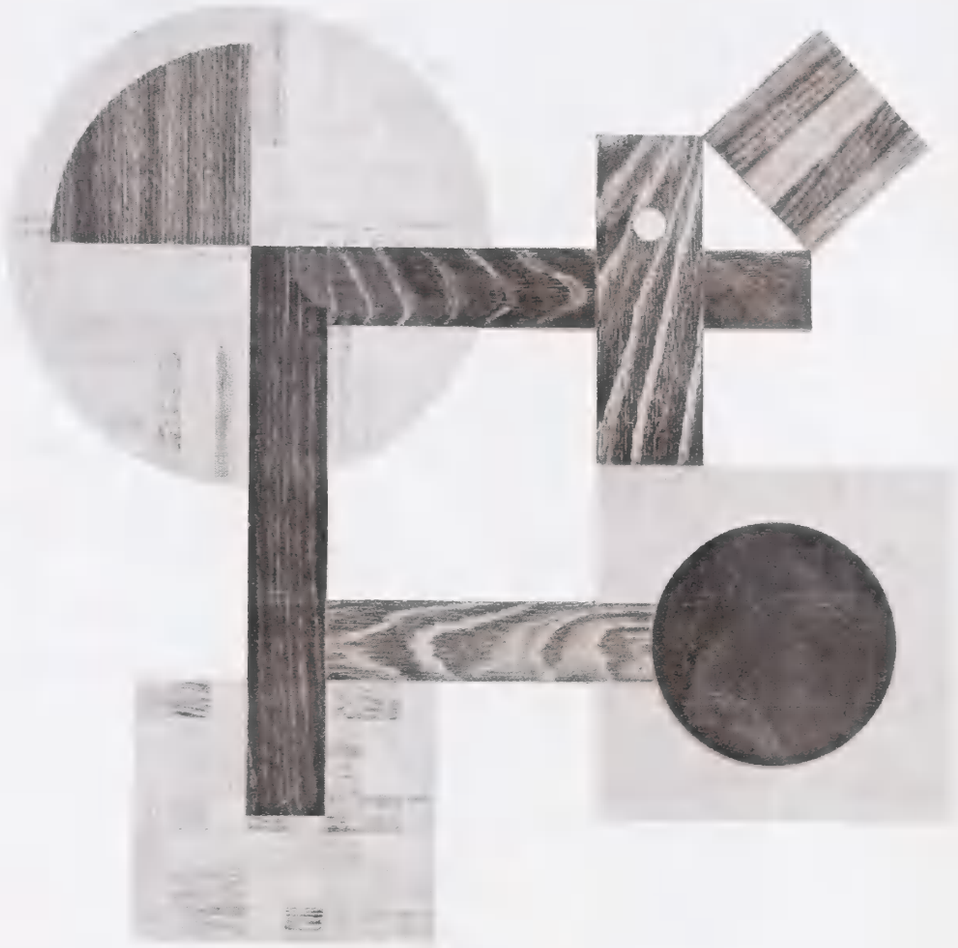
As Parakeet Green sharpened by pungent pimiento-pink or by one of the green's components, tart yellow.

Make a pastel part of an alliance

Gentle Lovebird Blue becomes the lovelier with rays of delicate yellow. Ribbony lines or flicks of rosy red bring Lovebird Pink into fresh definition. Add a run of whites to any pastel, and it's airborne.

Heighten a single glowing color with a great pair

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How to preserve

THE GLOW OF WOOD

Fresh cut, and sanded to satin smoothness, wood is a beautiful thing. The arches and swirls of grain against the lighter shades of flake vary with every tree, every board—in patterns that never seem to lose their fascination. Little wonder so many people want to see the grain after the wood is finished. You'll find all the stains and finishes discussed on the next two pages transparent, or semitransparent. They do not hide the natural appearance of wood. Also included: a guide to selecting the right finish for the job. and professionals' suggestions on the proper way to stain and finish wood.

By JOHN H. INGERSOLL

HOW TO PRESERVE THE GLOW OF WOOD

continued



Preparing the wood

Although not very glamorous, readying the wood surface is the first and quite possibly the most important step. If you've ever painted anything, you know that paint tends to hide small mistakes—a hammer dent or a slightly rough spot. But every blemish, every speck of sawdust covered with a transparent stain or finish broadcasts its presence. Or worse—gums up the performance of the coating. What's needed is a clean, dry, and very smooth surface.

On new wood, begin by removing dirt and finger marks put there during handling. Use a cloth dampened with mineral spirits or turpentine. For stubborn smudges, rub with medium-grade sandpaper, and as a last resort, apply a bleach to the area—but carefully, so that you don't discolor the surrounding wood. Shallow dents and blemishes will disappear under strokes of medium-grade sandpaper. A more serious dent may require special action. Dampen a small section of an old Turkish towel; lay it over the dent, and press down on the towel with a hot iron. The crushed wood fibers should swell back into place. Follow up with a sanding to level the raised grain again.

Now you're ready for the final sanding. For best results, go over the surface first with fine sandpaper: clean the wood; then repeat with very fine paper. *Always* sand with the grain. With a soft brush, sweep up the grit and sawdust. Next, vacuum the wood surface. And finally, wipe it with a tack rag. (A tack rag is a varnish-impregnated cloth, slightly sticky, which should remove that last speck of dust. Today, many paint stores have prepackaged tack rags. Or you can make your own by soaking a cloth in varnish, squeezing it out, washing your hands, and squeezing it out again. Since the rag is now susceptible to spontaneous combustion, get rid of it after you're finished, or store it in a clean, closed mason jar.)

Over new floors, you—or the contractor—will follow essentially the same steps. Simply substitute power sanding for hand sanding. An upright drum sander will handle 95 percent of the work, and a hand-held disc sander, or edger, is the right tool for sanding the areas near the baseboard where the big machine can't reach. Again, sand with the grain; never across. The first run over the floor is generally done with a fine grade of closed-coat paper (so-called open-coat paper is too gritty). And the second and final run is made with very fine (also called extra-fine) sandpaper attached to the drum.

Since wood flooring is delivered today with a reasonably smooth surface, no further sanding is needed. In the event you happen on a rough lot of boards, a first run with medium or medium-coarse sandpaper may be required. When the last sanding is finished, clean up as described above, and apply the coating you've selected. Do it as soon after you sand as possible. If you leave a freshly sanded floor untouched for much longer than 24 hours, the boards may begin to absorb moisture from the air. Then the moisture, trapped in the wood by the top coating, will tend to force its way out, ruining the finish as it does so. To a somewhat lesser extent, this is true for all wood surfaces, new or old.

On previously finished wood, the technique varies. If you wish only to rejuvenate a dull or worn finish, your work is simplified. Provided, that is, you know what the old coating is. Why? Because you'll get better results spreading shellac over shellac or varnish over varnish. In fact, if you put a lacquer over existing varnish, you run the risk of wrinkling the old finish.

Shellac or lacquer coatings are usually the easiest to renew. Both materials dissolve in themselves. For example, fresh shellac would blend with a three-year-old shellac finish, producing a surface that looked all new (provided the old shellac had not darkened, in which case the wisest course would be to remove the old finish). The steps: wash the worn or dull area with a solvent (alcohol, mineral spirits, or turpentine) to remove accumulated dirt, wax, and grease. Get the surface dry completely. Lightly sand the wood, using a fine grade of paper. Clean up, and wipe with a tack rag; apply the new coat.

While varnish does not redissolve in itself, you could touch up a worn area on previously varnished wood in the same way if the old finish hasn't begun to change color. Any finish that has begun to peel or craze almost surely signals the need for complete refinishing. The same would be true if you wanted to change the color of the wood. Your aim in this case is to take off all existing finishes until you reach bare wood. Use anything that will do the job: coarse sandpaper, scrapers, steel wool, paint and varnish remover, bleach, a stiff-bristled brush. If you're tackling an old chest of drawers covered with seven coats of paint, it's reason enough to buy or rent either a belt or an orbital sander. And, incidentally, any time you use bleach or paint and varnish remover, follow the manufacturer's instructions closely. These are strong agents.

Now, two problems that may come up. First, wood that has been previously coated with, say, a dark-mahogany, *penetrating* stain, and which you want to restain with a light maple shade is going to present some difficulties. The old stain will have seeped into the pores of the wood. In order to remove it completely, you may have to sand off as much as ¼" of the surface. The alternatives are: leave the stain alone and recoat it with a clear finish; restain with a tone the same as or darker than the original; clean up surface and paint.

Second, suppose you own an heirloom highboy with a beautiful rosewood veneer. Here's how you proceed. Clean the surface first with a solvent. Let the wood dry. Then mix a slurry of linseed oil, pumice, and a little mineral spirits. To produce an even milder abrasive, substitute rottenstone for pumice. Using a clean, soft rag, rub down the finish with your slurry. Do it first in an area that won't show prominently. You want to determine whether the slurry mix is properly proportioned and how much hand pressure you ought to apply. The right mix and right pressure will remove the finish, but won't scratch the veneer. Clean again with solvent. Let it dry, and apply a new clear finish.

Back to normal refinishing. Once you've reached bare wood, clean up, and wash down the surface again with solvent. Let the solvent evaporate; then give the wood one more sanding with a very fine grade of paper. Sweep up; vacuum; wipe down with tack rag, and apply the new coatings you planned.

Finishing an old wood floor calls for the same steps as finishing a new floor, with one addition. To remove the old finish, attach coarse, open-coated (grit-

ty) sandpaper to the power-sanding drum for the first, and possibly the second run. Then proceed with fine and extra-fine paper, and so on.

In the succession of steps from bare to finished wood, stain—if you intend to use it—is applied next. There are exceptions; they will be discussed below.

Note: This is a good spot to stop and remind you that stains and finishes, for the most part, are highly flammable and contain potentially toxic volatile solvents. Don't smoke when you use them, and be sure there is no open flame in the room—including pilot lights. Also, open a window for ventilation. Outside air will quickly eliminate the danger of volatiles. If you spray on the finish, do *not* depend on an air-moving heating or cooling system to remove the volatile overspray. Spray will gunk up the system.



Penetrating stains—transparent and bright

Essentially, this is a dye. It comes in liquid form, and is sometimes called simply a penetrating stain; sometimes a penetrating oil stain. (Note: do not confuse this with a penetrating sealer, or a sealer stain. Both are different, and will be covered later.) In some stores, these dyes (called aniline dyes) are sold as a powder, which you mix in boiling water to make a water stain, and in alcohol or acetone to produce a spirit stain. Furniture manufacturers use dye stains in slightly different form. They do so because this stain is transparent (and thus shows the grain beautifully); is exceptionally brilliant (when mixed properly); retains its color well, even when exposed to sunlight, and can be sprayed on quickly. While you can't buy the industry stains, you can approach their performance with a penetrating oil stain, or a water stain. You apply the oil stain with a brush, the water stain with brush or spray gun. Since water raises the wood grain, you must resand the surface before applying the next coat. Despite what you may hear to the contrary, once these stains are dried and sealed, they rarely bleed into the top coat—not true of spirit stains, which are also less permanent.

All penetrating stains are suited best for the open-grained woods—oak, walnut, mahogany, and chestnut, for example. As mentioned earlier, they do sink into the wood, which makes changing your mind or future refinishing rather difficult. But generally they are easier to apply. You stroke or spray on the stain, and only occasionally need to wipe away the excess. In fact, some are packaged in aerosol cans to make your job even simpler.



Pigmented stains—popular and plentiful

Sometimes called wiping stains or, very loosely, oil stains, these are what you find ordinarily on dealer shelves. Insoluble pigments impart color to the stains, although some also include a small portion of dye. In fact, these stains are really thinned paints. You could achieve about the same results by thinning oil paint with turpentine, and a number of painters do just that. What this means, of course, is that you have the freedom to select one of the wood tones or choose from among any colors in the rainbow. And colored stain for wallpaneling and floors is growing more popular each year.

Since the pigments are insoluble, there is virtually no chance for the stain to bleed into the top coat (a condition that unevenly spreads the shading, and looks messy). Painters liberally spread this stain with a brush or rag; wait a few minutes, and then wipe off the excess to produce an even coloring. Pigmented stains can be applied with a spray gun, as well; then wiped. Always spread them with the grain.

Penetrating dye stains shade the bare wood on contact. Many—especially spray stains—require no wiping. Others do require some wiping to gain exactly the shade you want. Generally, though, you would thin a penetrating stain slightly to lighten the tone, and apply a second, or even a third coat to darken the wood.

Not so with pigmented stains. They do require wiping. It is by wiping that you control the tone. After you apply a pigmented stain liberally, allow it to dry for at least a minute. The sooner you wipe away the excess, the lighter will be the shade: the longer you wait, the darker the wood will turn. When you wipe, move the first strokes of the cloth across the wood grain. Finish up by rubbing with the grain.

Experienced refinishers will tell you to use pigmented stains for the close-grained woods, such as pine, maple, birch, cherry, and basswood. Today, both penetrating and pigmented stains have been improved to the point that either kind is used without difficulty on all kinds of wood. Pigmented stains tend to hide the grain slightly, while penetrating stains are more transparent. Two criteria for your guidance: penetrating stains will underline the ragged and not very attractive graining in softwoods, such as fir (and particularly fir plywood). A liquid filler or sealer coat prior to the stain application could cure that. And second, a pigmented stain is inclined to blur the graining on oak or walnut. Yet a pigmented stain, because it stays on top of the wood surface, is easy to remove, should you want to refinish later. And, as mentioned above, a penetrating stain sinks into the wood. One more difference: Penetrating stains usually dry in about six hours; sometimes less. Pigmented stains should normally dry overnight before a sealer or finish coat is applied. Obviously, neither is perfect for all situations. Simply choose the one that mounts up the most plusses for the wood-finishing project you have in mind.



Sealer stains and varnish stains

DRAWINGS BY J. B.

Newest of the staining products, sealer stains, also called varnish stains, are, as their name implies, a combination of stain (with pigments, dyes, or a combination) and a clear finish, such as varnish or lacquer. They earn a place in wood finishing, but not on the same level with penetrating or pigmented stains. Why? Consider the arm of a wooden chair. Given normal wear, the finish on the arm is going to wear through eventually. If the finish is a sealer stain, once it's gone, bare wood shows. When you rub through standard, laboriously applied finish, you remove only the clear finish coat, down to the stain. *(Continued on page 219)*



BACKGROUND PAPERS C. W. STOCKWELL

1. Tiger-yellow stripes on a Dacron-and-cotton pillowcase, $2.35 a pair, Martex. **2.** Brilliant flowers on a permanent-press tablecloth of Irish linen, 60″ by 102″, "Taj," $18, Braidwater. **3.** Super new broiler with vertical meat rack, avocado-green and chrome, $30, National Presto. **4.** Indispensable kitchen tongs—closed, a wire whisk, 80 cents, Kellen. **5.** Gold Alençon lace corners a drip-dry cotton-and-Dacron 18″ napkin, $4 each, "Bagatelle" by Dognin through Jabara. **6.** Daisies decorate melamine dinnerware, 20 pieces for 4, $15, Lenox. **7.** Romaine-green plastic and stainless-steel tableware, "Obelisk," 50 pieces, under $30, Cosmos. **8.** Impressionistic blooms on yellow no-iron linens, "Madrugada," by Lady Pepperell: double sheet, $7.70; pillowcases, $2.35 a pair.

FOR THE HERE-AND-NOW BRIDE

16. New oval shape in a stainless-steel ice bucket, designed by Marion Weeber for Ekco-Eterna, $15. **17.** A choice: rock or the classics: "Harp Concert in C Major," Boieldieu, $6, Deutsche Grammophon; or Donovan's "The Hurdy Gurdy Man," Epic, $5. **18.** One huge pow flower on a corduroy tablemat, beige and brown, $1 each, Ross-Mathai. **19.** Tasseled art-nouveau linen table runner in shock colors, 14″ by 72″, "Madrid," $6, Nancy Peterson. **20.** Bursts of fantasy flowers on cook-freeze-serve enamelware called "Cabaret"; casserole, $13; saucepan, $12.50, Millard-Norman. **21.** Parakeet Green ovenproof glass casserole with aluminum dome. Holds 2 quarts, $15, with candle holder. Rubel. **22.** Tulips bloom on Corning Centura "Sculptured Rim" dinnerware. Bowl and saucer, $2.25; plate, $3.25; cup, $2.



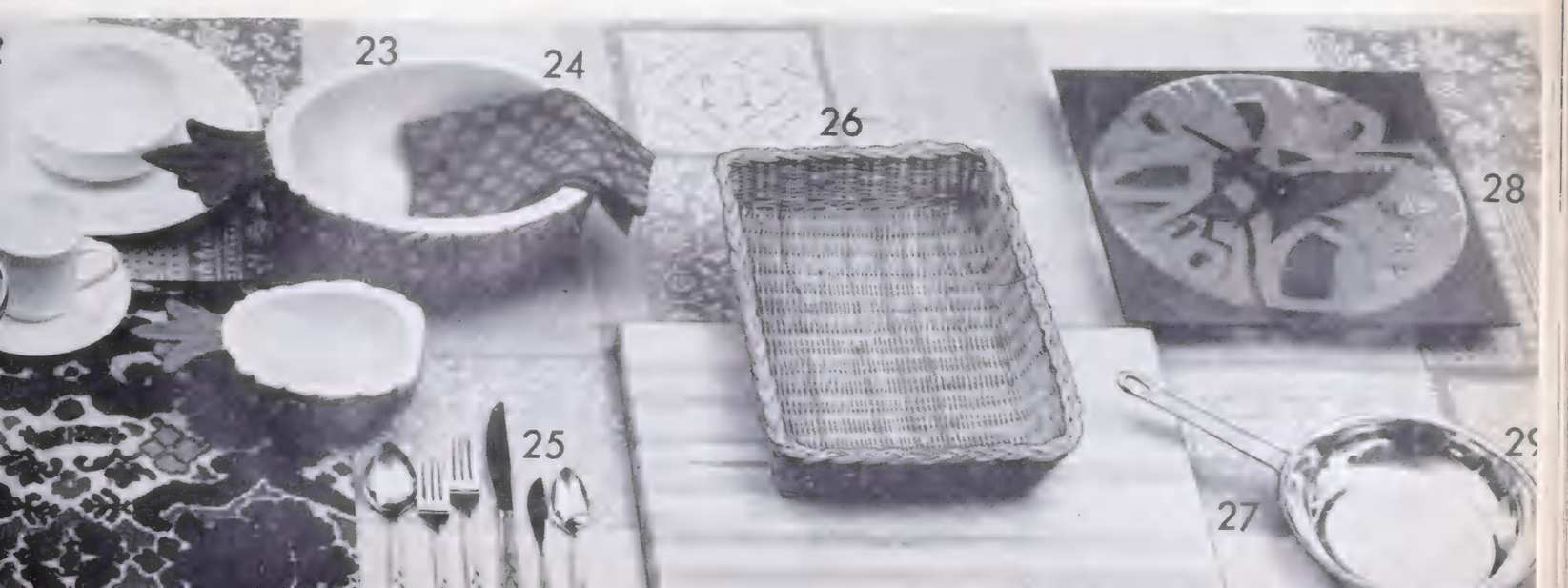


9. Parakeet Green Chinese lacquer wedding box to fill with treasures or stack as an accent table, 16″ high, $50. Tropi-Cal. **10.** Giant zigzags of Cardinal Red and plum on a shocking-pink shower curtain, all cotton, $16, Nancy Peterson. **11.** Goldfinch Yellow dots on a plastic inflatable pillow, $1 each. Contessa. **12.** Classic goblets for red or white wines, 59 cents each, Libbey. **13.** Chafing dish of pli-metal (stainless-steel and aluminum) with wood accents, "Circa 21." 2-quart saucepan, 1½-quart casserole, with server, $45, Vollrath. **14.** Op-orange and pink "Strawberries" fabric covers a recipe file, $4, and pencil holder, $1.75, Blue Star Leather. **15.** Easy-to-hold electric slicing knife with two sets of stainless-steel blades and a wall storage rack, $30 from General Electric.

Be she mini-skirted or draped in lace, four pages of gifts to suit her every mood. Find them at our Here-and-Now stores, listed on page 218.

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23. Hawaii's favorite—the pineapple—is the inspiration for ceramic oven-to-table bowls, $3.50, $8, Dorman. **24.** Plum coins fall on red drip-dry cotton napkins, 75 cents each, Ross-Mathai. **25.** The old-fashioned and the contemporary meet. Wild roses on sleek stainless-steel flatware, a 50-piece service for eight, $50, Oneida. **26.** A wicker mail basket serves as well to dress a 3-quart Pyrex casserole for the table, $2, Artsam. **27.** A must for every bride: a sturdy maple cutting board. This one is 9″ by 17″, $5, Artsam. **28.** Geometric swirls of mad colors on a mod clock for the wall, in Plexiglas, with batteries, $20, Van Dow Fenton. **29.** For the purist in the kitchen, a professional stainless-steel omelet pan, 7½″ diameter, $4, Artsam.
More bridal gifts on the following pages.



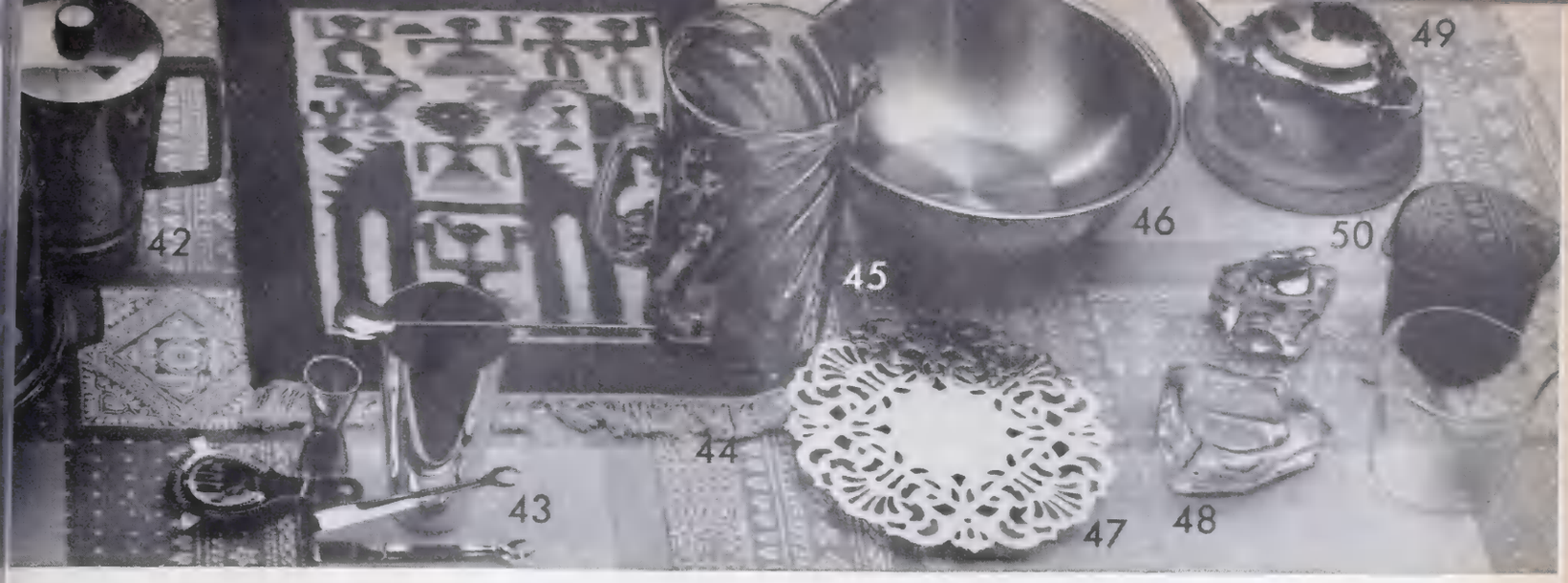


30. Mini-fondue of stainless steel and rosewood, 2-quart size with tray, $25, Oneida Northland. **31.** For night people, owls under glass, hand-blown. Glass, $1.75; bowl, $1.60; plate, $2.75; Carbone. **32.** Tapio Wirkkala's wonderful stacking glasses, $4 each, Harvey Reid. **33.** Brass-and-turquoise door knocker from the Middle East, $7, Beam. **34.** Sahara-size goblets of heavy glass, "Loop Optic," 60 cents, Bartlett Collins. **35.** Plastic dome wall-light mounted on white lacquer, 12″ square, $30, Tyndale. **36.** The ubiquitous mushroom on oven-to-table casserole, $12; shakers, $4 a pair, Holt Howard. **37.** AM/FM radio, 4½″ high, $25, Panasonic. **38.** Lucite block calendar designed by Ernest Moore, $30, Kamco. **39.** Pinks and purples swirl wildly on linen 14″ pillow, $10, from Nordic House.

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51. "Please do toast the daisies" on four-slice toaster, in avocado and white, $34. Toastmaster. Delivery late May. **52.** Table-top scales from Norway weigh 1 oz. to 24 lbs., $12.50, Kellen. **53.** The Bride's Set of essential kitchen tools: spatula, two spoons, and straw whisk, $3.30, Artsam. **54.** Bursts of chrysanthemums on black—a round drip-dry tablecloth, $8, Timely. **55.** Cans and jars give up their lids without a struggle: electric can/jar opener, $17, Westinghouse. **56.** Bold-face clock in stoplight red designed by Peter Max, "Dazzle," $9, General Electric. **57.** Closet organizer: Orange cotton-duck storage box, clear zippered lid, $8, Enrich. (Matching garment bags and hat boxes, too.) **58.** The look and feel of velvet in a washable Miralux blanket, "Madrugada," $16, West Point Pepperell.





40. Vinyl "tortoise shell" frames a mirror, $15, Garment Co. **41.** "See-thru" electric corn popper, Teflon-coated, $15, West Bend. **42.** Stainless-steel electric coffee pot, $17, Cory. **43.** Barkeeps love this cocktail set in make-believe gold, $14, Irvinware. **44.** A 10″ glass pitcher, hand-blown by Blenko, $8, Rubel. **45.** Hand-woven designs in all-wool tapestry from Tunisia, 16″ by 21″, $20, Beam. **46.** Pros love it. The "everything" stainless-steel bowl, 8 quarts, $9, Artsam. **47.** Florentine lace patterns a silver-plate 9½″ trivet, $15.50, Towle. **48.** Great glass hunks make a butane lighter, $20, and ashtray, $11.50, Fostoria. **49.** The prettiest copper tea kettle, $10, Revere. **50.** Beakers for finger bowls, Williamsburg reproductions, $5.75, Foreign Advisory.

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59. Wild roses scattered over a drip-dry lace tablecloth. "Chambord," 70″ by 90″, $12 with polyester liner. Quaker Lace. **60.** Color-me-avocado casserole that goes beautifully from burner to tabletop. 2½-quart size is $12; electric trivet to keep all warm, $6. West Bend. **61.** Gold metallic Alençon lace tablecloth of Tergal polyester, 72″ round, $125. Dognin through Jabara. **62.** "Welcome Aboard" signal flags on ceramic ashtrays made in Italy, $3.50 each, Carbone. **63.** "Scallion snippers" work equally well on other salad ingredients, $1, Kellen. **64.** For the gardener who brings his green thumb indoors: a ceramic watering can with clover and red geraniums on white, $8; matching cachepots, $10.50 for nest of three, Carbone. The C. W. Stockwell background papers, through decorators from R. Thibaut.





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THE GENTLE TYRANNY OF BOOKS

BY RUSSELL LYNES

A well-known author addresses himself to the problem of the book addict. On pages 56-58 House Beautiful suggests some answers to the shelving question

Some people have books in their houses for merely decorative purposes or to give the effect of being intellectual. Some people have books because they enjoy reading them, thumbing through them, referring to them. Some people, like me, are pursued by books the way some damned souls are pursued by demons.

More often than I like to admit, every flat surface in my house has books on it except, of course, the ceilings, and I suspect it is just a matter of time before volumes will hang aloft. No bureau is immune, no table or mantel, no counter or desk, and in my study not even the chairs escape all of the time, and if I want to nap, I have to take the books off the daybed and put them on the floor.

Some houses have libraries in them; others are libraries with living quarters. Mine is one of the latter, and though I sometimes think I should be a great deal more sensible about the accumulation of books, a library with living quarters—or, to put it another way, a house full of books—is an exceedingly pleasant place to live.

It presents problems—some of them problems of character, some of them problems of sentiment and nostalgia, some of them (in my case) professional problems, some of them esthetic problems, and some of them just down-to-earth practical problems of how, where, how many, and which ones.

I suppose that the problems of character and those of sentiment and nostalgia are one and the same. I find that I am rather like a high-school senior class—if a ceremony has taken place one year, by next year it has become a tradition. A book that finds its way onto my shelves by however devious means becomes, by the very fact of its being there, part of my "library," which means that it has become part of my past, and so may very well have an effect on my future.

To get rid of the most traditional of my books (those I had as a child and read to my own children some years ago—the "Oz" books, *Alice*, of course, *Huckleberry Finn*, *The Wind in the Willows* and such) would be like putting one's daughter out of the house on the night of a blizzard. I have no doubt that newer and prettier editions of them have been published, so there is no point in saving them for a future generation—if, indeed, the young do not now consider them merely square. But there they sit, taking up space, mute but contented on my shelves along with dozens of dead novels by dead novelists, memoirs of better-forgotten writers, out-of-date travel guides, books of pseudosoci-

ology. "authoritative" (and unread) biographies of middle-European statesmen, and old *World Almanacs*.

Useless, you may say, but they are part of the bedrock of a library. Any structure (and a library is a structure built brick by brick) has to rest its foundations on something permanently immobile. And furthermore, there is always the question in the back of the mind of the owner of a library: "Who knows when someday it may be just what I need?"—to settle an argument, to recapture a quotation, to reveal a date, to bring back laughter.

Libraries are, of course, intensely personal affairs, and there is nothing so revealing of character, taste, and intelligence that one frankly exposes to one's friends and casual acquaintances as the titles of the books on one's shelves. I address myself to the addict, even the slightly hooked addict whose spirits rise at the infusion of a book into his domain, the man or woman who cannot take books or leave them alone, but must have them even if in very small doses.

I approach his problem from a somewhat special although by no means a unique point of view. I play both sides of the book street: in a sense I am both a literary account payable and an account receivable. I write books most of which I would be unable to contrive without being in debt to other people's books, and my library, therefore, is more than just my friend, as yours may be to you; it is a large part of my sustenance.

However, anyone who finds himself the creature of books, the kind of individual who is a magnet for books and to whom they stick like steel filings, has almost exactly the same problems as the one whose work depends on them. Book people have a way of collecting "basic reference." It is astonishing how this can expand from one dictionary to five, one atlas to half a shelf, a one-volume encyclopedia to several editions of those in twenty-odd volumes.

It is surprising how books of quotations attract other books of quotations, books on wine still other books on wine, anthologies of verse more specialized anthologies. (A few years ago I was working on a book on how Americans lived in the Nineteenth Century, with the result that among other things I now have to house a hundred or more 19th-century books of etiquette and almost as many on how to run a household.) For the book-minded there is a kind of richness not measured in number of volumes or their prices that accrues to him as books gather about him. The very fact of their being and of their closeness lends warmth to his life.

But let it not be overlooked that they can be a bloody nuisance, an irritation, and what sometimes seems an intolerable burden.

Some years ago Mrs. M. E. W. Sherwood, the grandmother of the playwright Robert Sherwood and a lady who wrote on the subject of taste and manners, said in an article: "The soothing influence of an Eastlake bookcase on an irritated husband has never been sufficiently calculated. . . ." "Eastlake" was a fashion of decoration that was all the rage in the 1870's and '80's and is just now coming back into fashion as "late Victorian," but that matters less than that Mrs. Sherwood chose a bookcase as a counterirritant to soothe an irate husband.

There are today all sorts of ingenious methods of devising bookshelves—they hang from brackets: they are freestanding, supported on ropes or rods: even the revolving bookcase I remember in my father's library is being revived, and in some respects it takes a maximum burden in a minimum of space.

Bookshelves are the book person's balm, but they can also be his undoing. Bookcases hate empty shelves as nature abhors a vacuum: they seem to be self-filling. They can also be cussed. Once you have the distance between shelves adjusted to what you think is the correct height for your books, somebody gives you a volume on paintings in the Louvre that seems to be nine feet high, though it almost surely is not more than eighteen inches, and you have no place to stand it upright. The sensible book collector allows many more feet of shelves to accommodate outsize books than he thinks he will ever acquire. There is nothing more tiresome than having to respace shelves to make room for tall books.

It is sensible, moreover, to try to space shelves so that they will take books in given categories (I'm strictly a category and not an alphabetical book-shelver) bearing in mind that reference books, for example, like tall shelves (atlases often run twice the height of dictionaries: so do cartoon books, books of photographs, and that miscellaneous category now called "coffee-table" books which are meant to be looked at, not read, and whose value is more to impress one's neighbors than to make any appreciable dent on one's mind). Still, they can't stay on a table forever, they are usually too rich to discard, and they have to live somewhere. Since they are likely to lie fallow, they do not mind lying on their sides: many a coffee-table book ends up suitably prone. They provide an excellent way to use those shelves that, because you had to have more tall ones, you have had to compress into long, rather low slits. Horizontal books, as a matter of fact, make a pleasant variation from the usual mass of verticals.

It is my belief that books, properly shelved, can be at home in any room in a house, including the dining room, but there is one absolutely essential element in any library—places to hide the miscellany that family libraries attract and which do not belong on shelves. Let there always be cupboards for magazines, pamphlets, special copies of newspapers one wants to save, for prints not important enough to frame, for photographs, for what is called by bibliophiles "ephemera," and what is memorabilia of only family interest. If in a sense a library is the intellectual biography of the family with which it lives, it should also be a record of the social history of the family as well—scrapbooks and yearbooks and albums—and in this day and age it is also likely to be a history of the family's musical taste. Recordings live happily with books, and they are blessedly uniform in their primary dimensions.

"It is a staggering problem even for the unerudite," a good friend with whom I recently discussed this matter said to me "Our house sighs and sways with the weight."

When the bursting point comes, there are pleasant ways of letting friendly books find other congenial homes. Your local library may jump at the chance to have some of them. (Give the librarian a list to choose from.) Church sales will often be delighted to get the residue: I've often found treasures in rummage sales. If you have standard works of reference (which may have been superceded in your library by newer ones), or histories, biographies, art books, and such that you can part with, you might try the library of the new community college in your area. Community colleges (also called Junior Colleges) are being established at an astonishing rate, and they are all trying to build good working libraries, usually with very limited funds. If in desperation you call a secondhand book dealer, do not weep at the pennies and nickels he offers you for your treasures.

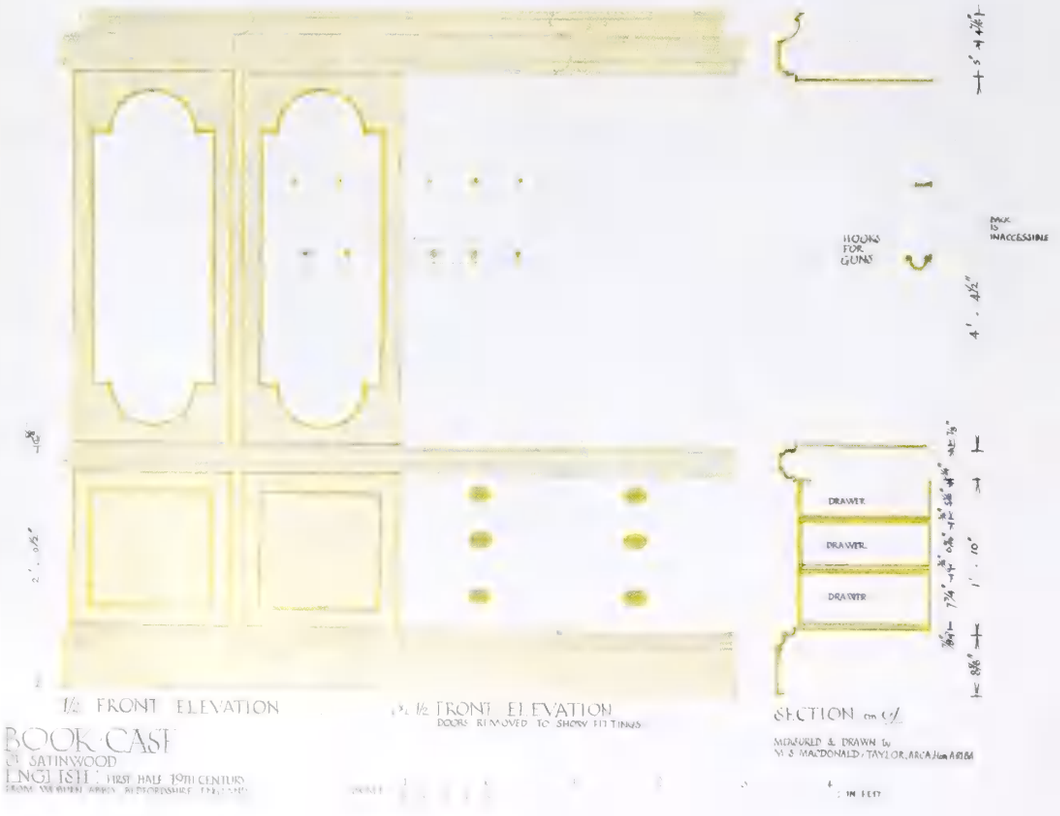
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A bona fide of American craftsmanship, 20th-century cabinetry vying in perfectionism with the masterworks of the 18th-century's great furniture makers —The Woburn Abbey Collection by Baker Furniture, Inc. This is furniture reproduced in faultless facsimile from heritage pieces in one of England's greatest of great houses—wonders of rare woods and matched graining, inlaid, banded, and as meticulously worked as the most exquisite of jewelry. These reproductions, collectors' items in themselves, are made with the permission of His Grace the Duke of Bedford, owner of Woburn Abbey, where for generations their priceless prototypes have been in daily use. *More*

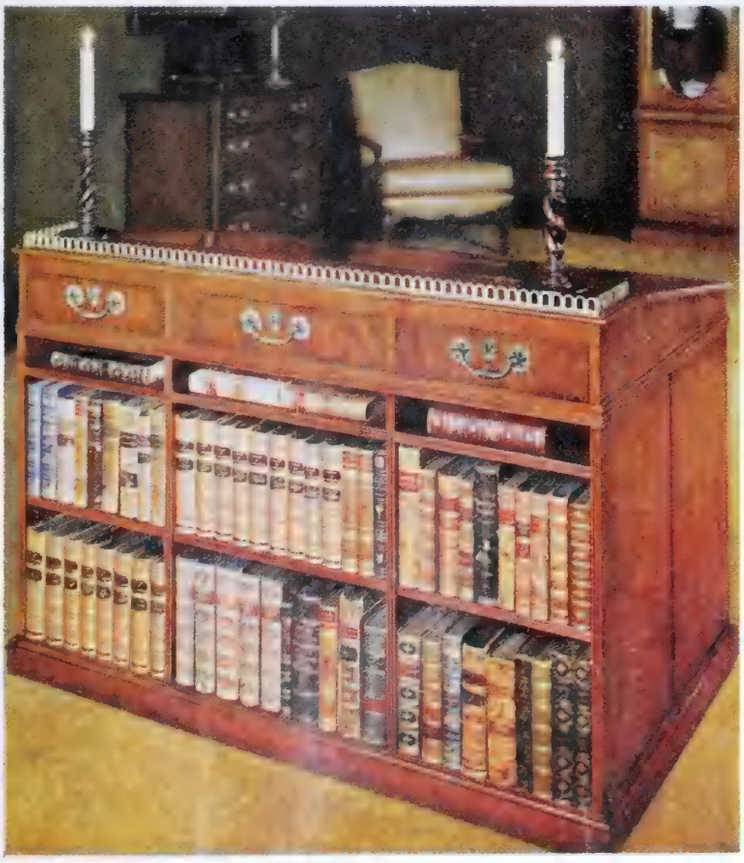
From England's stately Woburn Abbey

MASTERPIECE FURNITURE MADE IN AMERICA



Woburn Abbey originals, too precious to be shipped abroad, were sketched for their American copyists in hairbreadth detail by Professor Margaret Stevens MacDonald Taylor of the London Royal Academy of Art. Gun cabinet-bookcase sketched at left is shown opposite in glorious and perfect replica—superbly matched satinwood: glass doors and cupboards bound in brass moldings, and fretted frieze crafted precisely as the original. Desk-bookcase, right, an 18th-century design by Henry Holland for the folios and maps of the Fifth Duke of Bedford—mahogany inset with ebony, shelves and uprights marvelously triple-beaded. Leather-covered slant-top, galleried in brass, is separate. Octagonal tilt-top table, far right: a virtuoso performance in marquetry—satinwood inlaid with such slim strips of tulipwood and ebony that the pattern on border, pedestal, and legs has the quality of fine-pen drawing. EZRA STOLLER















MASTERPIECE FURNITURE MADE IN AMERICA

continued

Baker's Woburn Abbey serpentine chest, opposite—simple, subtly curved—copies an original in the Duke's private office at Woburn Abbey. The wood is English pine, often called deal, the replica a nonpareil in itself, cut from a noble log—25 feet long, 36 inches in diameter—from the Hampshire estate of the Earl of Mountbatten.

Games table, immediately left, a vintage elegancy of 1790, peerlessly veneered in mahogany and banded with satinwood. Double-panel top, adorned with oval paterae skillfully inlaid in harewood and sycamore, hinges open to reveal a red-and-brown leather backgammon board, tooled in gold.

Regency belles and beaux took their urbane tea from the prototype of the rosewood table, lower left, opposite—a gem of rich, dark-glowing grain, bound and inlaid, in the manner of the times, with the bright-gleaming contrast of weltings and ferrules in hand-worked brass.

An 18th-century bijou, a marquetry inlaid gallery table, lower right, opposite—satinwood, lined, striped, and meticulously edged in fiber-slim inlays of dark wood—a synthesis of the era's love of the small, the cherishable, the perfectly made.

The dropleaf sofa table, this page, a masterpiece of rare woods worked like pigments on a canvas to create pattern, light, and shade. Major surfaces are rosewood, bordered with the cornsilk gloss of satinwood, edged in a band of tulipwood, the wood patinas delicately delineated with hairline inlays of boxwood and ebony. Tufted leather sofa, its cant corrected to modern scale, is one of the 25 pieces in the Collection. Open armchair, right, in great, ducal overscale, is carved mahogany and brass-studded leather. Pieces of the Woburn Abbey Collection by Baker depart from their prototypes in one detail only—each is fitted with a hidden niche containing its impressive documented history.









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PAINTINGS FROM THE WEATHERSPOON ART GALLERY

Graceful bentwood-and-cane chairs in study, above, are the real charmers in the English-flavored collection of warmly finished designs. Chairs, $140 each. Deep-tufted sofa, 87″ in length, $560, is among coordinated upholstered pieces in muted colors specially selected to emphasize the quiet harmony of the 60-piece group. In the corner, a cane-doored cabinet with mellowed brass hardware adapted from English antiques, $200. For textural interest, the game, card, or writing table in a lacquered finish flecked with gilt, $80. Pair of coffee tables with colonnade treatment, $80 each. Two-level rug by Regal in the new Source fiber, $680. *More*

First view:

CONTEMPORARY WITH ENGLISH ACCENT

Editor: FRANCES HEARD



For the sun-filled master bedroom, above, Decorator Otto Zenke chooses a pale-blue and white background for furniture by Drexel in a blend of wood finishes and textures. Rounded tub chairs with natural cane rolled over the arms, one of the distinctive designs in the Wellington Park Collection. Chairs, $152 each. Desk-table with cabriole leg, scalloped detailing, and one hidden drawer, $136. Decorative corner bookcase with carved shell bonnet in pale green striped in delicate blue and white, $325. Well-proportioned hexagonal cabinet, 21″ high with 26″ by 30″ top, has mellow brass door pulls, beautifully crafted veneering, $180.

Hospitable dining room, right, teams crisply modern table with stately chairs. There's subtle drama in the textured, gold-flecked finish of the T-square table under a crystal chandelier. 62″-by-38″ table extending to 100″ with two 19″ leaves, $220. Cane-backed armchair in pearl beige striped in brick red from Drexel's Et Cetera Collection of accent pieces, $128. Matching side chairs, $108 each. Buffet in pecky pecan, with brass handles and drawer pulls, measures 62″ in length, $340. China decks (not shown) are part of Wellington Park. Antique accessories and modern paintings contribute to the warm, inviting mood of this room.

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CONTEMPORARY WITH ENGLISH ACCENT

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The new LILIES: HIGH STYLE for your garden

For summer flowers of glorious color, produced on plants with an exuberant vitality, there is nothing like a lily

By ELVIN McDONALD

Lilies—once considered terribly difficult, at best ethereal transients in the garden—have become the most dependable of hardy bulbs. Only a dozen species are represented in the magnificent hybrids growing in gardens today, and another eight are in the parentage of new varieties just coming on the market. The future offers an even greater potential, considering there are some sixty other species yet to be mixed into the new breed of lilies.

Enchantment, the most vigorous and prolific of all hybrid lilies, was the first to gain widespread popularity. Each sturdy stem, to three feet or more in height, is crowned by sixteen or more flowers of vibrant nasturtium-red, each measuring six inches in diameter. In the twenty-five years since Enchantment made its first flamboyant splash in American gardens, there have been at least twelve important new strains of hardy lilies introduced, with flowers in virtually all colors except blue, and with bloomtime ranging from May to September.

The new lilies are offered today either as strains or as clones. Strains are propagated from seeds, but they have an amazing degree of uniformity. Clones are propagated only from scales of a selected bulb, and the new bulbs thus obtained produce flowers identical to those of the original. Bulbs of the newest-named varieties, laboriously propagated from scales, which may also be scarce, are more expensive than bulbs raised from seeds, but considering the flower crop, any well-grown hybrid lily bulb is a bargain.

Among the hybrids, the Golden Chalices are earliest, bringing to May gardens bouquets of upright-facing flowers ranging from clear lemon-yellow through rich warm shades of gold and apricot-orange. This lily is drought-resistant, and excellent for planting in a spot that tends to be warm and dry. It is a plant that flowers freely with a minimum of care, varying in height from eighteen inches to three feet, and forming clumps of increasing size and showiness from year to year.

There are also excellent species lilies eminently worth cultivating for May flowers. *L. concolor* blooms late in the month, and continues into early June. Its starry flowers of brilliant, waxy scarlet are borne in umbels on wiry stems to two feet tall. Plant it in full sun. *L. pumilum*, formerly known as *L. tenuifolium* or Coral Lily, and its varieties Golden Gleam and Yellow Bunting, unfurl graceful, small May flowers of scarlet, orange, or yellow on plants one to two feet tall. It is among the easiest of all lilies to grow, either from bulbs, or from seeds which will yield flowering-size plants in eighteen to twenty-four months.

June brings an avalanche of lilies—enough to fill a garden with flowers the whole month. The Mid-Century hybrids form the most important grouping. They are available in a mixture of more than sixty different varieties, or in selected clones. Most grow from two to three feet tall, and bear sixteen or more flowers to each stem. All are beautiful, but here are five hybrids that are especially *(Continued on page 162)*

Spectacular August bloom: Imperial Silver lily and delphiniums.
GEORGE DE GENNARO

THE EDIBLE THISTLE

A member of the thistle family in excellent standing, globe artichokes are in good supply except for June, July, and August. Choose compact buds with tightly closed leaves.



LA POMME D'AMOUR

Christened "love apple" by the French, the tomato really came into its own in the U.S. only 150 years ago, despite the fact it was "born" in the Western world. The peak season runs from July to November. Choose firm and well-formed fruit, not overripe.



PREPARING THE PERFECT

THE SUCCULENT SPEAR

Known among growers as "grass," once corruptly called "sparrow-grass," asparagus is one of spring's gustatory delights. Available February through May, loose or in bunches. Look for tender but firm spears with close, compact tips.



THE CULINARY LILY

The yellow onion, like leeks, garlic, scallions, shallots, chives, which all belong to the lily family, is a cornerstone of cooking. Look for yellow onions that are bright, hard, and well-shaped, with dry skins.





To prepare artichokes: With a heavy chef's knife, cut off the stem. Then cut about ¾ of an inch off the top. Trim points of remaining leaves with scissors. Tie a thick slice of lemon on the bottom. Drop into a large kettle of boiling, salted water. Lay a double thickness of cheesecloth over the top. Boil slowly, *uncovered*, until a leaf will pull out easily—20 to 40 minutes, depending on size. Lift from kettle at once and drain upside down. May be served hot, warm, or cold. To present without choke, see page 166.



Artichokes are served as a first or salad course. If hot, with melted butter; lemon butter (melted butter with lemon juice to taste); Sauce Hollandaise; Sauce Mousseline (whipped cream and Hollandaise). If cold, with Sauce Vinaigrette; Sauce Ravigote (vinaigrette with herbs, capers, green onions); Mustard Sauce; or Mayonnaise.



To prepare tomatoes: With a sharp knife, cut out the stem end. Cover the tomatoes (one or two at a time) with boiling water and allow to stand about 1 minute. Peel, starting from the stem end. Cut in half crosswise. Squeeze gently to extract seeds and juice. Chop coarsely (*tomatoes concassées*), dice, or slice. For stuffing: Cut *unpeeled* tomatoes in half crosswise. Again, squeeze out the juice and seeds gently. Sprinkle with salt to draw out more of the juices and turn upside down to drain. Stuff according to recipe.



The tomato can be an ingredient, hors d'oeuvre, salad, or vegetable. As an ingredient in all Provençal fish, beef, chicken dishes; Lobster Américaine. Bouillabaisse. Manhattan Clam Chowder; Ossi Buchi; Seafood Gumbo. As an hors d'oeuvre, stuffed or baked, hot or cold. As a salad, sliced, with onions or herbs. As a vegetable, broiled, scalloped, stewed, fried.

VEGETABLE

How to prepare and cook 12 major vegetables "to taste," shown in sequence photographs on these and following pages. Delicious recipes begin on page 165. By HELEN McCULLY



To prepare asparagus French fashion: With a heavy chef's knife, cut off root ends. With a vegetable peeler, peel off tough outer flesh down to tender inner flesh. Shave off any scales below tip. Line stalks up evenly. Tie in bundles of 5 or 6 and drop into deep saucepan or skillet of boiling, salted water. Bring quickly to a rolling boil. Reduce heat and boil, *uncovered*, for about 3 minutes or until a knife point pierces butt ends easily. Drain on dish towels. To chill, wrap in one layer in towels. Refrigerate.



Asparagus can be a salad, a vegetable to follow an entrée, or itself an entrée. As a salad with mayonnaise; or mix with cold chicken: Sauce Gribiche (mayonnaise mixed with herbs, capers, pickles, etc.); Chantilly (mayonnaise with whipped cream). Hot with Hollandaise or Maltaise (Hollandaise with orange). As an entrée, creamed on toast, baked with cheese.



To dice onions and shallots: Cut onion in half through the root. Peel. Lay one half, cut side down, root end to your left, and cut parallel vertical slices from one end to the other *up to but not through* the root end. Next, make horizontal slices from bottom to top up to root end. Finally, cut across into the size dice wanted. To slice, lay cut side of onion on board. Holding firmly, fingers tucked under, slice at right angle to board in firm strokes, pushing slices away as you work.

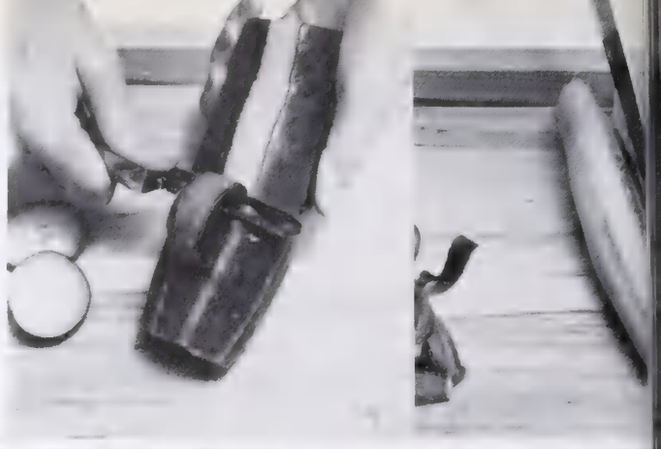


We have yellow onions, white onions, and three sweet ones: red Italian, Bermuda, Spanish. Yellows are all-purpose; whites are primarily used whole as a vegetable course or in stews; red Italians are usually served raw, in salads; Bermudas, too, lend themselves to salads, to baking, and, like the Spanish, to marvelous French-frying.

ACCESSORIES FROM BAZAAR DE LA CUISINE AND LA CASSIMIÈRE

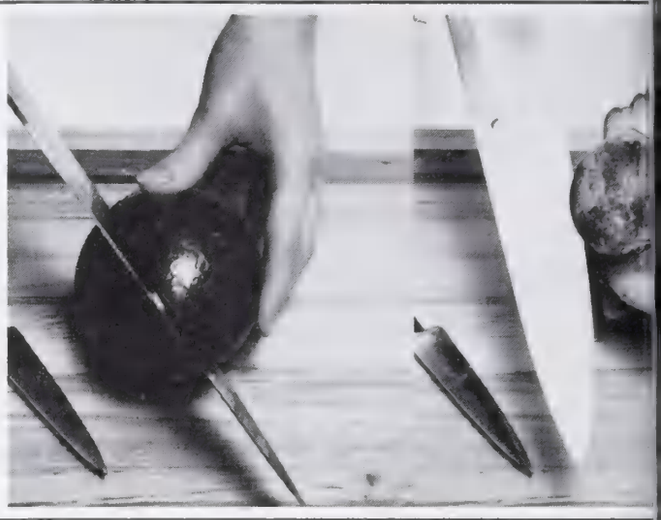
THE COOL CUCUMBER

The two types of cucumbers are: "picklers" and, for table use, the "slicers." The "slicers," which have a harmless wax coating to inhibit wilting, are available the year round but not in great abundance in the dead of winter. Choose those that are a rich, dark green, firm, bright, with good "figures."



THE VEGETABLE BUTTER

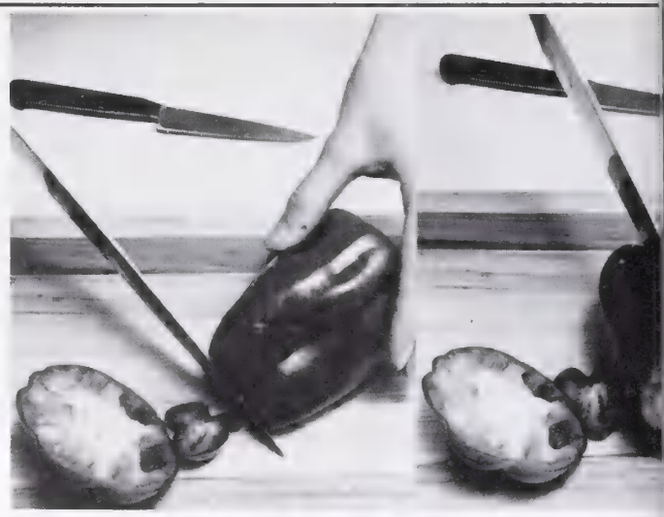
California's pebbled, winter Fuerte and Florida's smooth-skinned summer Lula are the best known of the avocado family. The pear-shaped Fuerte is green with a thin, pliable skin; the Lula, similar in shape, is greenish, flecked with yellow. Buy under-ripe fruit and ripen at room temperature. Ripe fruit yields to gentle pressure.



PREPARING THE PERFECT VEGETABLE *continued*

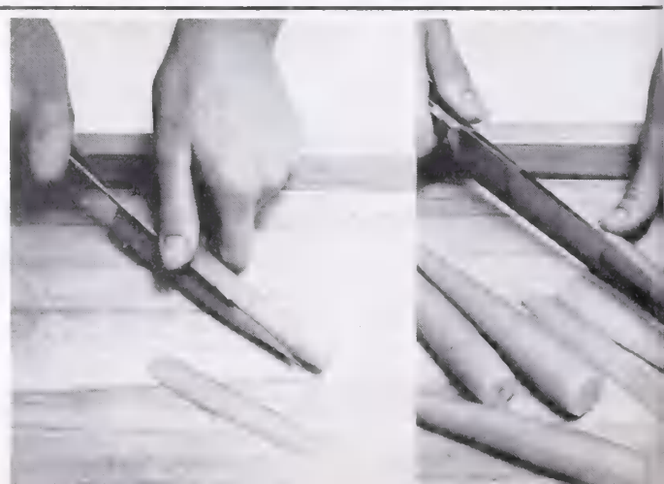
THE GARDEN PEPPER

Often called "bell" peppers because of their shape, sweet peppers, green at first, change when ripe to red or yellow, depending on variety. Available the year round, they are at their peak during the summer and early fall. Good peppers are glossy, firm, thick-fleshed, at times red-flecked. Paleness shows immaturity.



THE VERSATILE CARROT

Carrots are so rich in vitamin A, the vitamin itself is often called "carotene." Tops are chopped off these days because they draw moisture from the roots, and carrots shrivel. In buying carrots, the deeper the color, the richer in vitamin A. Baby carrots are especially delicious, if you can find them.





How to peel, seed, slice "cukes" *for cooking*: Chop off both ends. With a vegetable peeler, peel off skin in long, thin strips. Slice in half lengthwise. Scoop out all seeds with a spoon. Slice each half into three even strips. Line up strips and cut in half or in thirds, across. *To use uncooked*: Peel, seed, then slice seeded halves very thin; or slice off ends and a sliver off one side. Place cut side down on board; slice across the entire length.



More usually served as a salad, cooked cucumbers make an attractive vegetable with fish; stuffed with bread and parsley as a first course, or with meat to make a light entrée. As a salad, they can be dressed with Sauce Vinaigrette or Sauce à la Crème, or "pickled," Swedish fashion, with sugar, salt, and vinegar.



How to halve, seed, and slice avocados: Cut in half lengthwise and twist to separate. Whack a heavy, sharp knife directly into seed and twist to lift out. With cut side down in palm of hand, strip or peel off skin. Place peeled halves, cut side down, on chopping board. Slice lengthwise or crosswise. Slices can then be diced or cubed to size needed. Since avocado darkens once exposed to air, cut surfaces should be coated with lemon or lime juice to prevent discoloration.



Other than the traditional way (on the "half shell" served with Sauce Vinaigrette or fresh lemon or lime juice or salt), avocados can be filled with madrilène or crabmeat. They combine with certain fresh fruits; can be turned into cold soups, even desserts. A few slices floated on a hot consommé are both pretty and good, and guacamole is almost the avocado's raison d'être.

For more vegetable techniques, please turn to page 80



How to core, seed, julienne, slice, and dice sweet green peppers: Cut off both ends, then cut in half lengthwise. Next cut out the core, brush away seeds, and cut into wide strips, lengthwise. Cut away the ribs. To julienne: Pile two or three strips on top of each other, then cut into long thin strips. To dice: Make a bundle of julienne strips and cut across full length to the size wanted. To make rings: Slice across the length of the pepper to width wanted; cut out ribs.



The pepper can be part of the hors d'oeuvre tray; cooked and served as a vegetable; or stuffed to make a good entrée. With drinks, julienne and serve with kosher salt or a bright sauce: sauté in oil with garlic or green onions, adding, perhaps, ripe tomatoes, and serve with broiled meats; stuff with meat, rice, shellfish, or mushrooms to make an interesting entrée.



How to slice, julienne, and dice carrots: Peel, then cut a thin strip off one side so carrot will lie flat. Trip off the little "scar" at the top and the tap root. To slice: Cut straight down to thickness called for in recipe at right angles to board, pushing the pieces away as you work. To julienne: Cut lengthwise in 1/8-inch slices. Place two or three slices, one on top of the other, slice into strips. To dice: Cut crosswise into size needed.



Carrots play an important culinary role either as an aromatic base in soups and stews, as a garnish with such classics as pot roast, or as a vegetable in their own right. Carrot sticks make a crisp addition to the cocktail table. As a vegetable they can be creamed, puréed, candied, or glazed and they combine deliciously with peas and/or onions.

THE ROYAL RIESLING

Greatest of grapes for warm-weather wines

by ROY ANDRIES DE GROOT
Author of "Feasts for All Seasons"

It all started with the Emperor Charlemagne at the end of the Eighth Century—the breeding of fine German white wines. He was "Master of Europe." From Spain to what is now Poland, from Saxony in the north to Lombardy in the south, he ruled from his Palace of Ingelheim on a hill overlooking the valley of the Rhine.

One spring day, standing on the watchtower, the emperor looked out at the incomparable view of the great river and the towering slopes of the far side. On one of them, he noticed that the snow was melting in a curious way: softening at the top, while still hard at the base. Charlemagne said to one of his nobles: "The sun strikes that slope from a high angle. It would be a good place to plant vines. See that it's done."

The hill was found to be covered with wild black currants, (called *Johannisbeeren* in German), so they named it Johannisberg. In 1100 it was given to the Benedictine monks, who worked patiently for 700 years to improve the grapes and make better wines. By selecting and grafting, they gradually developed a special strain of vine with tight little bunches of small yellow-green grapes that ripen to deep golden. At maturity, they have an incomparable aroma, an entrancing taste, which seems to be compounded of the essences of all other fruits: of black currants, peaches, of pineapples, blackberries, and walnuts.

The monks called their vine the Riesling—a name which today can claim to be the greatest among the world's white wine grapes. Greatest, not only because of its supreme position in Germany, but also because it has successfully traveled to all the other major wine areas of the world. Everywhere it has adapted itself to different climates and soils, producing different wines, yet all with a certain regal richness of character.

But on the Johannisberg it still grows best. In 1801, all church properties were seized by the state, and ownership of Johannisberg passed to the Emperor of Austria, who gave it to his favorite minister, Prince von Metternich. He built his *schloss* (château) on the summit. The family still lives there and still makes the world's most famous Riesling wine, now called Schloss Johannisberg. It is closely challenged by two other nearby vineyards, the 1,000-year-old monastery of Steinberg (stone mountain), now state-owned, and the moated, fairy-story castle of Schloss Vollrads.

Fortunately for all of us, enough of these greatest of Riesling wines are made each year for them to be distributed virtually everywhere. At any well-stocked wineshop, you should find the tall "steeple" bottles with the colorful labels. Schloss Johannisberg has the coat of arms of the Metternich family or a picture of the castle on the mountain. Steinberg has the heraldic black eagle. Schloss Vollrads has the gold-and-red crest of its owners, the family with the unpronounceable name, Matuschka-Greiffenklau. But before buying these and all other German wines, it is important to learn a few basic, reasonably simple rules.

Along the valleys of the Rhine, the Moselle, and their tributaries, the weather varies enormously and unpredictably from year to year. So the wine growers do not harvest the grapes all at once (as is usual in France or California), but, beginning near the end of September, they send skilled pickers with long scissors through the rows of vines to cut only those grapes that are ripe. These are pressed at once into a wine that

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A personal selection of Riesling wines

GERMANY

The three greats

Schloss Johannisberg
Steinberg
Schloss Vollrads

Fine vintage years currently available: 1962, 1963, 1964

Others along the Rhine

Deidesheimer Kalkofen
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Forster Kirchenstück
Geisenheimer Altbaum
Hattenheimer Engelmannsberg
Niersteiner Oelberg
Rüdesheimer Bischofsberg Schloss Groenstyn
Wachenheimer Gerümpel
Wormser Liebfrauenstift Langenbach

Good vintage years currently available: 1964, 1966, 1967

From the Moselle region

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Brauneberger Juffer
Eitelsbacher Marienholz
Graacher Domprobst
Leiwener Laurentiuslay
Maximin Grünhaus Herrenberg
Oberemmeler Jesuitengarten
Piesporter Güntherslay
Wehlener Sonnenuhr Diedenhofen
Wiltinger Scharzhofberg

Good vintage years currently available: 1964, 1966, 1967

FRANCE

The Rieslings of Alsace

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The royal Riesling

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is kept in separate vats. The following week, more ripened grapes are picked and pressed. This continues, week by week, as long as there is sunny weather; in very good years, the selective picking continues through October and into November.

This means that almost every German vineyard produces not one, but half a dozen wines each year. The earlier ones are dry, slightly lemony, lighter, and less expensive. The later wines, from the more developed grapes, become increasingly softer, stronger in alcohol, and more expensive. Finally, if sunny weather continues long enough, some of the grapes will begin to dry out on the vine, becoming almost like raisins and producing a wine that is wonderfully sweet and rich. It is more suitable for drinking as a liqueur after dinner than as an accompaniment to the food.

The label problem

These various wines are signaled on the labels by the use of certain German words, and it is well worth learning a few of them, since they tell you exactly what is inside the bottle. The word *Auslese* means "specially picked," indicating that the wine was made from selected, riper bunches of grapes. Some vineyards subdivide this class of wine into three degrees of quality. First, *feine Auslese* means, obviously, the finer selected grapes. Second, *hoch-feine Auslese* means extra fine. Third, *feinste Auslese* means the finest, and this is not just a sales gimmick. Each wine is made, quite separately, from grapes of increasingly better quality.

According to German wine-labeling law, when the grape harvest has been in progress for at least three weeks, if there are still some grapes left on the vines they may be made into wines which are labeled as *Spätlese*, meaning "late picked" and indicating that the wine is softer, mellower, and again, stronger in alcohol. Near the very end of the harvest, the final grapes are picked, not bunch by bunch but single grape by single grape, and wine made in this laborious and expensive way (it takes one man a full day to pick enough grapes for one bottle of wine) may be labeled *Beeren Auslese*, meaning "picked berries." But the top of the class belongs to the *Trockenbeerenauslese* (sometimes shortened just to *Trockenbeeren*), meaning "dry grapes," showing that the wine is an after-dinner sweet type.

Village and vineyard names

Always remember that on a German wine label the word in the largest type is usually the name of the village where the grapes were grown. The second biggest word is usually the name of the particular vineyard. Some of them are quite fantastic, often reflecting incidents in the local history of the region. One famous wine, for example, is called (freely translated from a perfectly straight-faced label) "The Bishop's School for Priestly Convicts." The story goes that the rich owner of the vineyard willed it, upon his death, to the local church. The income from the sale of the wine was used to support the bishop's favorite charity, a seminary where ex-convicts who *really* wanted to turn over a new leaf could be trained as priests!

After the village and the vineyard, if there is no other descriptive word, you can assume that the wine is dry and light. But if you see one of the "wine words" mentioned above, you will know what to expect.

There are basic differences between the Riesling wines of the Rhine and those of the Moselle. (Incidentally, if the wine is from the Rhine, the bottle is of brown-red glass; when it is from the Moselle, blue-green.) Perhaps one can say that the Moselle Valley being narrower and steeper, gets a little less sunshine and has slightly less rich soil, so it pro-



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ices lighter, more delicate wines ith, in the good years, a quite vely floweriness of bouquet and ste.

Among the thousands of Ger- an Riesling wines, your prefer- ices must eventually be a matter personal taste. But, as a start- g guide, the chart on page 158 sts those wines I have recently runk that seem to me to be ove average in quality and val- e. One can pay less than $2 for a od bottle, or as much as $90 a ottle for one of the greatest *rockenbeeren* liqueur wines.

he Riesling in France

/hen the Riesling started its orld travels, perhaps it was to e expected that it would first mp across its native Rhine and stablish itself as the "King of lsace," along the French side of ie great river. Here, as every- here else, the Riesling has roved that it makes the best ines when it grows in cool cor- ers on steep, stony slopes, where ie grape is small and under- ourished, rather than fat and ich.

The finest wines come from the ills above the lovely old villages f Riquewihr, Hunawihr, Ribeau- ille, and Bergheim—and these re the names to watch for on la- els. The rules for buying the lsatian bottles are different rom those of the German. You hould look first for the Riesling ame on the label. Then, since al- nost all the wines are blended, he name of the responsible and killed blending and bottling firm s more important than that of the ineyard. After many years of rinking and loving Alsatian Rieslings, I have come to know nd trust certain firms whose ines seem to maintain a high tandard year after year (see hart).

change in personality

s the little yellow-green grape egan to flourish in other and nore distant places, it became enerally known as the "Johan- isberg Riesling," in honor of its lustrious birthplace. This name s, of course, misleading, for the Riesling naturally produces a ohannisberg wine only in Johan- isberg. The grape takes on a ew personality wherever it grows n different soils and under differ- nt weather. What *can* be said for his marvelous grape is that, hatever the variations in various ountries, the wines are always ne—and often great.

Cuttings from Johannisberg ere planted in Switzerland, long the upper valley of the River Rhône, east of Lake Geneva n the Canton of the Vallée. To- ay, although the output is small nd not much is exported, I have ound these Swiss "Johannis- bergs" in local inns, and they are the best of the district. One can play the same tasting game in the northern mountain valleys of Italy, where two separate strains of Riesling often grow side by side: the Riesling Renano (meaning of the Rhine) and the locally grafted Riesling Italico.

The Riesling went eastward into Austria and then on to Hungary, where I have seen many acres of the Balatoni Riesling growing along the shores of Lake Balaton. Drinking it there in village cafés one notes that the wine has taken on a golden ambience from the rich Hungarian soil and sunshine. In Yugoslavia, it is called the Riesling Renski (of the Rhine) and makes the best white wines of the famous Lutomer district of Slovenia and also in the Serbian wine areas near Belgrade. In Rumania, there is a fine Riesling at Tirnave and another at Perla. I have also heard of, but not tasted, Riesling wines in Australia—and you could hardly get further from the Rhine than that. Very few of these Rieslings are imported here, but you can try them on their native soils.

In the Americas

The Riesling reached the New World first by crossing the South Atlantic and establishing itself in Chile, where it produced that country's finest white wine—the most widely accepted Latin-American wine to be imported (in its fat flagon bottle) into the United States.

Finally, in 1853, the Riesling grape arrived in Northern California and settled down in the cool, foggy valleys around San Francisco Bay. Here it seems to have felt more happily at home than in any other place on earth, except on the banks of the Rhine. The California White Riesling or Johannisberg Riesling (here, these two names mean the same thing), can be as fine and fresh a wine as any Riesling—except the very best of Germany and France.

It ought to be easy to buy California Riesling, since all the better producers name the grape on the label. But unfortunately there are some confusing complications.

Problem one: The true "White" or "Johannisberg" Riesling will grow satisfactorily only in certain cooler areas in the Napa and Sonoma valleys. However, other vineyards in warmer parts of the state also want to be able to make wines with the magic Riesling name. So several other varietal strains (or "clones," as they are technically called) of the Riesling grape have been cultivated in California.

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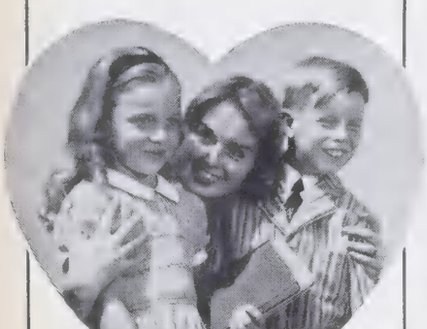
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The royal Riesling

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The Riesling cousins

Some of the strains are newly grafted by the research botanists. Others are grown from imported European roots. A few older types have been renamed to include the word "Riesling." Most of them, when properly harvested and vinified, make very fair wines, but they do represent a compromise and they lack the glorious freshness and gay personality of the true Johannisberg Riesling. There is a "Grey Riesling," an "Emerald Riesling," and a "Sylvaner Riesling" (also sometimes called a "Franken Riesling"). Even an American native wild grape called "Elvira" has been renamed the "Missouri Riesling." Any of these may be labeled "Riesling," but not "Johannisberg."

Problem two: The requirements of California law. If the label names a Johannisberg or White Riesling *and* if it also states that the wine is "estate bottled," then you have a fine wine, for the usual custom is that it must be 100 percent from the named grape. However, if the words "estate bottled" are missing, you are not nearly so safe, for the law then requires that only 51 percent of the wine need be from the named grape: 49 percent can be any other added wine. Again, even if the words "estate bottled" are on the label but the grape name is simply "Riesling," then there is no guaranty that you have a single drop of true Johannisberg, as the wine may be entirely or partly from other less good Riesling types. Once you have acquired a taste for the true wine of the true California Johannisberg, you will consider it well worthwhile to buy labels that are specific on this point (see chart, page 158).

The tasting game

It is one of the most fascinating of wine-tasting games to trace the multitude of Riesling wines. Start by tasting a German Riesling against a California estate-bottled Johannisberg. The German has an extraordinary and subtle sweet-sour balance. The Californian is less complex, less delicate, but has its own interesting qualities of masculinity and power.

Few people appreciate this fine California wine more than Dr. Harold Berg, head of the Department of Oenological and Viticultural Research at the University of California. He told me: "It should be drunk young, when it is still fresh and fruity. It should seldom be more than from one to three years old. Some of the dry white Rieslings from our best areas are among the outstanding products of our vineyards."

And I like to think that G.K. Chesterton, the wine-loving English author, was thinking of a Riesling when he wrote:

Feast on wine or fast on water,
And your honour shall stand sure
If an angel out of heaven
Brings you something else to drink,
Thank him for his kind attentions,
Go and pour it down the sink.

Personally, I am not nearly as pessimistic as Chesterton. I am sure that, if an angel visited me with a gift from heaven for this month of May, he would bring me the finest Riesling of a great year. As I poured it ice-cold into my long-stemmed glass, it would be refreshing, agreeable, and gay. It would come forth from my glass with the bouquet of wild flowers and the freshness of lovely youth. The perfect drink for spring and summer days. ■

Lilies: high style

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so: Cinnabar, vivid maroon-red; Harmony, rich and brilliant orange; Fireflame, crimson-red; and Prosperity, cool, lemon-yellow.

The Paisley Strain brings an entirely different flower form for June in petals that recurve to reveal colors ranging from white and palest yellow to gold and orange; from lilac and purple to tangerine and mahogany; all are maroon-dotted. Once established, the Paisleys grow up to six feet tall.

Achievement is a very pale yellow, almost ivory-white hybrid of *Lilium martagon*, highlighted by brilliant orange pollen. It grows with hybrid vigor to three or four feet tall.

June is also the month of the Madonna lily, *L. candidum*, with its chalice-like silvery white and fragrant flowers. The stems grow three to five feet tall. Plant this lily in September; cover top of the bulb with one inch of soil.

In many gardens the late June and early July lilies are welcome as a bridge between the burst of spring flowers and the main show of summer annuals and perennials. Outstanding hybrids for this period include Joan Evans (golden-yellow), Prince Charming (deep lilac-red), Corsage (ivory and pink), Valencia (orange-yellow), Amber Gold (maroon-spotted butter-yellow), Discovery (rose-lilac), and Fuga (bright orange). Also for bloom at this time are the Harlequin Hybrids (many colors, turk's-cap form) and Bellingham Hybrids (complete color range).

Lilies for July flowers

There are almost as many lilies for July as for June. One of the newest is the Bronzino Strain with flowers in such unusual colors as amber, sable, chocolate, teak, and mahogany. The Fiesta hybrids have been thriving in gardens for several years, giving an abundance of bloom in every imaginable hue from pure yellow to vivid red. The new Burgundy Strain represents a selection from the Fiestas, with flowers of glowing cherry and deepest claret.

The Panamint Strain is a new addition to July-flowering lilies. It is a hybrid of the old tiger lily with tremendous ivory flowers dotted vermilion; these measure up to six inches in diameter. It grows four feet tall, as does the

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similar Sutter's Gold Strain, another tiger hybrid with large flowers of buttercup yellow.

The Aurelian hybrids put on a major flower show in July. These were derived from crosses of *Lilium henryi* with a trumpet-type lily. The sturdy, vigorous plants, often six feet tall, are crowned by large trumpet flowers that are heavily fragrant. Black Dragon's blooms are purest white inside, purple-brown on the outside. Copper King Strain has dark apricot inner coloring with dark maroon-red petal reverses. Damson is dark fuchsia-pink. Green Dragon has green buds that open into huge chartreuse trumpets.

Some Aurelian hybrids are later-blooming, and continue into August. These include Golden Showers Strain (yellow, pendant flowers), Good Hope (golden-yellow), Golden, Pink, and Silver Sunburst Strains, and Stardust (white with orange center).

Lilies for August gardens

August brings the most spectacular of all lilies, the Oriental hybrids bred largely from *L. auratum* (the gold-band lily), and *L. speciosum* (Rubrum). Crimson Beauty is typical of these aristocratic-looking flowers. It has bowl-shaped blooms of pure white, with a deep cherry-red band in the center of each petal, bordered by vermilion spots. These measure up to ten inches in diameter.



Purest lily: Auratum virginale.

displayed on stems four to six feet tall. Empress of India has the same growth habit with eight to ten of the huge dark crimson-red flowers on each stem.

The Imperial Strains have created a sensation in the lily world. The flowers are tremendously large, well-spaced on sturdy stems that may tower to seven feet tall. Imperial Crimson is dark red with a pure-white band at petal edge; Imperial Gold has individual petals to three inches wide, each of purest white with a golden stripe down the center; and Imperial Silver is a snowy-white flower with vermilion dotting.

The Jamboree lilies are a super race of the always popular *L. speciosum rubrum*. The hybrid plants are simply larger and stronger. The seven-inch flowers are crimson and white, flaring from six-foot stems.

September lily flowers

Latest of lilies, with flowers opening into September, are *L. auratum* var. *platyphyllum*, the standard gold-band lily, *L. brownii* var. *australe*, a pure-white trumpet lily not yet tested for winter hardiness in cold climates, and *L. formosanum* Wilson's Variety, the latest of all, a tall, white trumpet.

Fall is the ideal planting time for lily bulbs, but spring is acceptable. More important is to keep the bulbs cool and moist while they are out of the ground. Unlike a tulip or daffodil bulb, which survives nicely in a paper bag through months of dormancy, a lily bulb is never completely dormant. It needs to be replanted as quickly as possible after having been dug.

The other requisite for success with lilies, no matter how sturdy today's hybrids, is a moist, humus-rich soil that drains perfectly. Plant on slopes or in raised beds. Avoid any depressed area where water stands. Prepare the soil to a depth of 12 to 18 inches, incorporating humus at the rate of one part to one or two parts soil. Humus can be in the form of well-rotted compost, peat moss, or decomposed manure (provided it does not come in direct contact with the lily bulb). Excepting *Lilium candidum*, the madonna lily, which thrives in a neutral to slightly alkaline soil, lilies need soil that is on the acid side. Plant *L. candidum* one inch deep (and only in the fall). Other lilies need to be covered with about four inches of soil.

Basically, lilies need a sunny site. However, this varies according to variety and climate. A lily that thrives in full sun in a cool northern garden may survive desert heat only in partial to full shade. Throughout most of the country a half-day of full sun is ample for success.

Lilies also need a cool root run which can be provided by deep mulching with such materials as leaf mold, compost, or wood chips. Shallow-rooted ground covers are also excellent to shade the soil and keep it cool through hot weather. Kinds recommended include perennial candytuft (iberis), creeping phlox (*P. subulata*), the creeping veronicas, and periwinkle (*Vinca minor*). Dwarf rhododendrons and azaleas, heathers and heaths, and any low-growing lavender also make excellent ground-covering companions for lilies. Remember that lilies root deeply



Sprite lily flowers in August.

and feed heavily. Ideally they should not have to compete with similarly greedy plants.

In addition to the need lilies have for warm weather mulching or ground-covering companion plants, they need a winter mulch applied after the topsoil freezes. Remove in spring after the weather settles sufficiently for frost to be unlikely. If lily tops are frosted in spring, there will be no bloom for the year. This is also true if the growth tip is broken off, or damaged, as by hail.

After spring lily growth is active, and flower buds can be detected, apply a side-dressing of bulb food. Repeat as the first blooms open. If you cut lilies for arrangements indoors—and they are among the best of all flowers for cutting—leave as much stem on the plant as possible so that strength can be stored up for next year's bloom. Remove spent flower heads of those left uncut to allow seeds to form when they are not wanted unnecessarily sap strength from the bulbs.

Lilies, by Jan de Graaff—the breeder behind today's great wealth of hybrid lilies—and Edward Hyams is the most recent book on the subject (Funk and Wagnalls, New York, 1968, $6.95). If you are interested in collecting lilies, consider membership in the North American Lily Society. The Executive Secretary is Mr. Fred M. Abbey, North Ferrisburg, Vermont. The Yearbook alone is worth the five-dollar dues, not to mention the bulletins and seed exchange. ■

pecial vegetable recipes

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*emish Carrots**

½ pounds (about 2 bunches) tiny new carrots
teaspoons sugar
lt
reshly ground white pepper
tablespoons butter, melted
egg yolks
cup heavy cream
to 8 parsley sprigs, minced

eel the carrots and drop into oiling salted water. Cover and ook until *almost* tender. About 0 minutes. Drain and run under old water to stop the cooking. ulienne (see page 157). Then cut he strips in half, crosswise. Arange *half the carrots* in a shalow ovenproof dish (about 6½ by inches). Sprinkle with 1 *teaoon of the sugar*, salt, pepper, nd *half* the butter. Add all the emaining carrots, and sprinkle ith sugar, salt, pepper, and reaining butter. Place in a preeated 325° oven for about 20 inutes.

While carrots bake, beat the olks with the cream and stir in the minced parsley. Pour over the carrots and return to the oven just long enough for the "sauce" to heat through.

Serves 4 to 6 as an accompaniment to roast veal, pork, etc.

*Adapted from Alex D. Hawkes's *A World of Vegetable Cookery*, a treasury of recipes, botany, and lore of the vegetable kingdom (Simon & Schuster).

Tomato Tart

3 ripe tomatoes
One 9-inch unbaked pie shell
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
3 eggs
1½ cups heavy cream
½ cup grated Gruyère or Swiss cheese

Peel tomatoes (page 155); slice in two, horizontally. Place cut side down in the pie shell. Sprinkle with salt and pepper.

Beat eggs and cream together. Season with salt and pepper, then stir in the cheese thoroughly. Pour over the tomatoes and bake in a preheated 325° oven for about 60 minutes or until a knife inserted in the center comes out dry. That is, without any mixture clinging to it. A nice luncheon dish or first course.

Stuffed Baked Tomatoes

6 firm, ripe tomatoes
Butter
1 small onion, minced
1 clove garlic, minced
2 slices firm white bread, about
3 to 4 tablespoons beef or chicken broth
½ pound fresh sausage meat
6 to 8 sprigs parsley, minced

Slice the tops off the tomatoes and set aside. Scoop out the centers with a small spoon, leaving ½-inch wall all around. Take care not to penetrate the bottoms. Set pulp aside, too, but discard the seeds. Invert tomatoes and allow to drain.

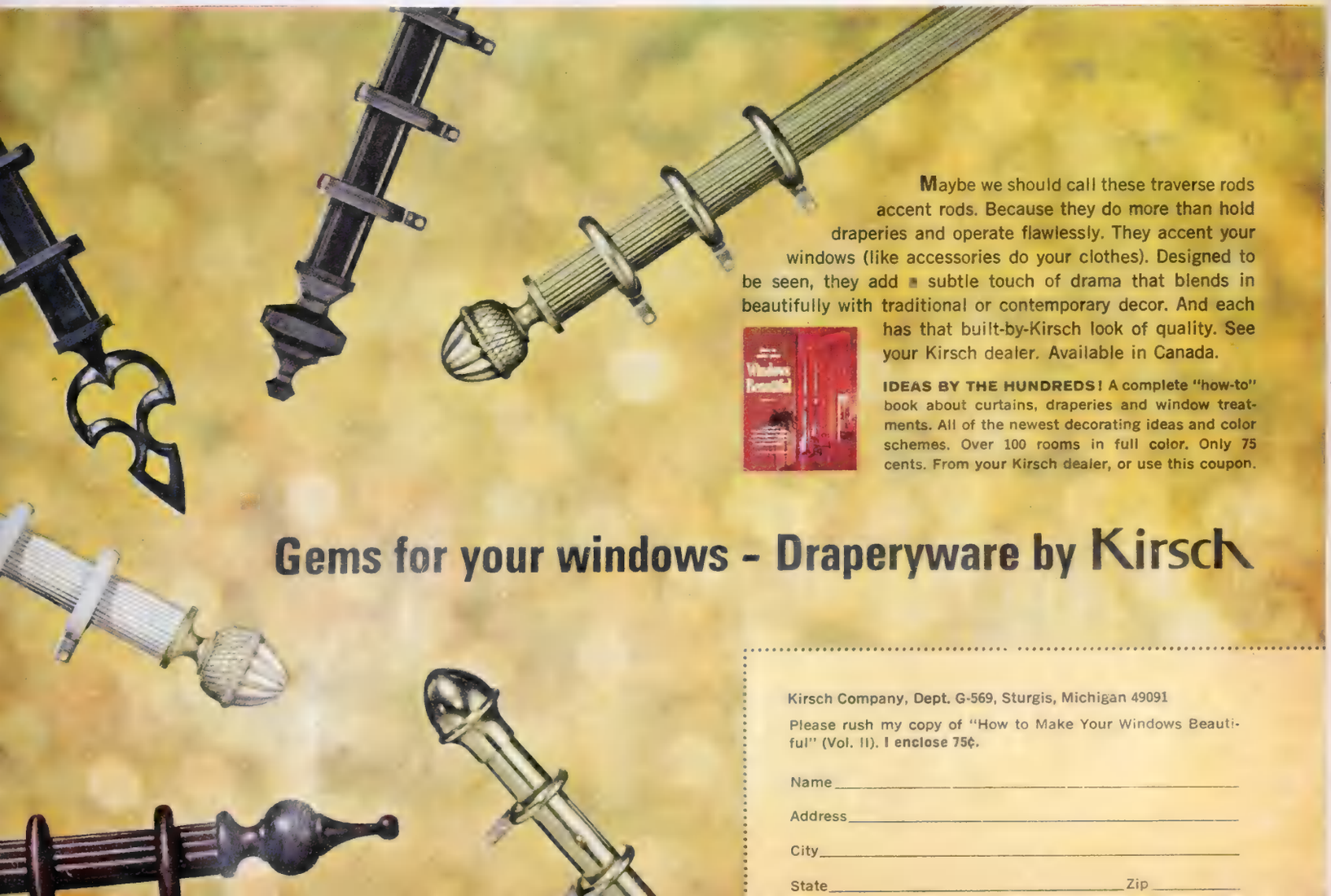
Heat about 3 tablespoons of butter in a skillet. Add the onion, garlic, and ½ cup water. Bring to a boil, then cook over a moderate heat until the water has boiled away and the vegetables are soft. Add more water, if necessary.

Crumble the bread until very fine in the electric blender. Mix, saving out 2 tablespoons, with the broth. Then combine with the onion, garlic, chopped tomato pulp, sausage, and parsley. Stuff the tomatoes. Sprinkle with dry bread crumbs and dot with butter. Replace the caps. Brush a baking pan lightly with oil, add the tomatoes, and bake in a preheated 300° oven for 35 minutes.

*Cappelli di Preti con Broccoli**
[Baked "Priests' Hats" with Broccoli]

5 tablespoons olive oil
1 large bunch broccoli
4 tablespoons butter
2 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
1 pound *cappelli di preti***
1 cup grated Parmesan cheese

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Brush a 1½-quart baking dish with *2 tablespoons of the olive oil*. Set aside.

Prepare and cook the broccoli according to directions (page 80). Drain thoroughly and keep warm.

Heat *all of the remaining oil* with all the butter in a small heavy skillet. Add the garlic and cook, over moderate heat, for about 5 minutes, giving the garlic an occasional stir. Do not allow it to burn: it will turn bitter.

Bring 7 quarts of water with 2 tablespoons salt to a rolling boil. Add the pasta. Bring to a boil a second time and cook until somewhat less than *al dente* (firm to the tooth). Drain thoroughly. Mix in the garlic mixture. Starting with pasta, make a layer in the bottom of the prepared dish, then a layer of broccoli, next a sprinkling of cheese. Repeat until both pasta and broccoli have been used. Finish with a heavy sprinkling of cheese on top. Place in a preheated 375° oven for 10 minutes. Just long enough to heat through and melt the cheese on top. Serves 6.

*Adapted from *The Complete Book of Pasta*, an Italian Cookbook by Jack Denton Scott (Morrow).

**The "priest's hats" are sold in all stores selling Italian foodstuffs. Note, the original recipe called for Asiago cheese but Mr. Edelman, of New York's Ideal Farms, tells us that Parmesan is an excellent substitute.

White Onions in Cream

2 pounds small white onions, all of a size
Dry white wine
2 stalks parsley
1 bay leaf
½ teaspoon thyme
3 or 4 tablespoons butter
Heavy cream
Salt
Freshly ground white pepper
Handful parsley sprigs, minced

Peel the onions (see page 155). Place in a heavy saucepan, with enough wine to almost cover, the parsley, bay leaf, and thyme tied in a cheesecloth bag, and the butter. Bring to a boil, cover, reduce heat to simmer and cook until the onions are just tender when pierced with the point of paring knife. About 30 minutes. Drain. Heat about ½ cup heavy cream to the boiling point. Boil about 2 minutes. Pour over the onions. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Stir in the minced parsley and turn into a heated vegetable dish.

Baked Cucumbers

6 cucumbers
2 tablespoons wine vinegar
1½ teaspoons salt
Big pinch sugar
¼ cup (½ stick) butter, melted
½ teaspoon dried basil or 4 to 5 leaves fresh, minced
4 green onions, minced, tops and all
Big pinch freshly grated white pepper
Handful parsley sprigs, minced

Peel the cucumbers (page 157), then cut in half lengthwise. Scoop out the seeds. Slice each half, lengthwise, into 3 even strips, then cut across into 2-inch pieces. Combine the cucumber pieces with the vinegar, salt, and sugar in a polyethylene bag. Place in a pan in case of leakage. Marinate at least 30 minutes or, better, several hours, turning whenever you think of it. Drain and pat dry with paper towels.

Pour the butter into a shallow (about 1½ inch) baking dish about 12 inches wide. Add the cucumbers, basil, onions, and pepper. Toss the cucumbers until well coated with the mixture.

Place in a preheated 375° oven for about 35-45 minutes or until the cucumbers are tender but still crisp. *Can be prepared to this point and reheated. If so, do not cover.* Sprinkle with the minced parsley just before serving. Serve with poached or sautéed fish to 4, perhaps 6.

Spanish Avocado Soup

4 ripe avocados
2 cans (10½-ounce size) condensed chicken broth
Juice 2 lemons
Salt
Good dash cayenne
2 cups half and half or light cream
Toasted sesame seed garnish*

Seed and peel the avocados (page 156). Chop coarsely. Purée in the electric blender, a small amount at a time, with some of the broth. Pour into a bowl, stir in the lemon juice, salt to taste, cayenne, and half and half. Seal securely with Saran. Chill. Serves about 6 to 8.

Note: Because avocado discolors when exposed to air, this soup should not stand more than 3 or 4 hours.

Serve in chilled soup cups with the sesame seeds in a little b so that each person will be to help himself.

*To toast the sesame seeds, p in a shallow baking pan and b in a preheated 300° oven u lightly browned. Allow about tablespoon of sesame seeds person.

James Beard's Bright Vegetable Mélange

2 bunches leeks
6 tomatoes
Vegetable or olive oil
½ cup sliced ripe olives
Salt
Freshly ground pepper
Slivered rind 1 lemon

Wash the leeks, then cut white part only into 1½-i pieces. Peel the tomatoes, t cut into 6 wedges. Heat a li film of oil in a heavy skillet. W hot but not smoking, add leeks, reduce heat to moder cover and cook 10 minutes. A the tomatoes and olives, co and cook another 10 minutes. S son with salt and pepper to ta Stir in the lemon rind. Serve to 6.

Sautéed Sweet Peppers

Sautéed peppers are delicious a make an extremely handsome v etable to accompany meat wl the green and red and yellow, three, are combined.

Prepare peppers (page 15 Slice crosswise in ¼-inch circ Heat a film of olive oil in a he skillet, add a clove or two of g lic, split. Cook garlic, taking c not to allow it to burn or it w turn bitter, until it has flavo the oil slightly. Remove the g lic, add the peppers, lower heat, and cook over moderate h for 10 to 12 minutes, with occasional stir, until peppers tender but still somewhat cri Season with salt and fresl ground pepper.

Note: Allow about one large p per per person.

How to remove the choke of an artichoke

With great care so the articho will remain intact, spread t leaves apart so the interior exposed. Pull out the center co of leaves in one piece. Set asi Remove the choke, a hairy grow just below, which covers t heart, by scraping it off w a spoon. Discard. Turn the co of leaves upside down and set the hollow of the artichoke. ■

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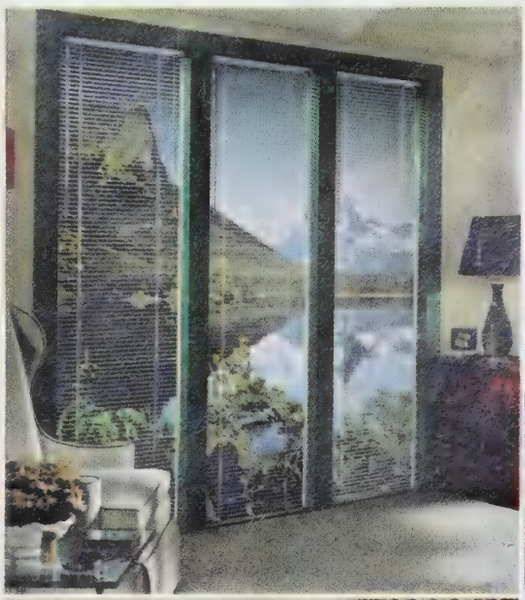
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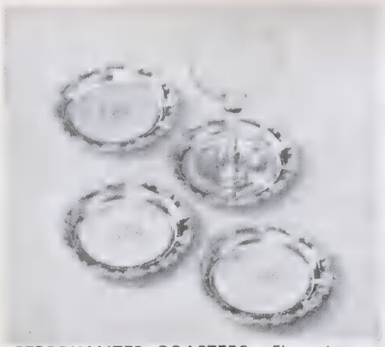
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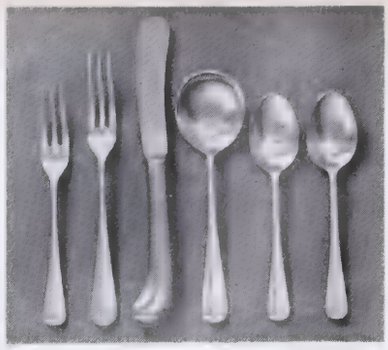
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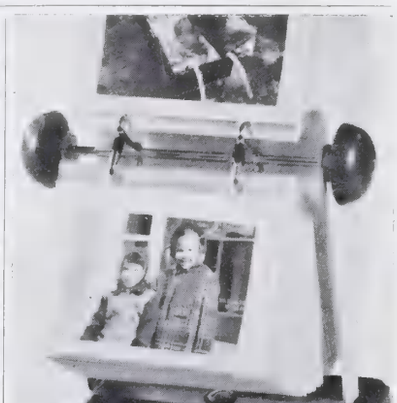
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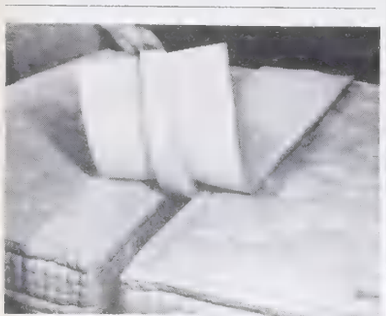
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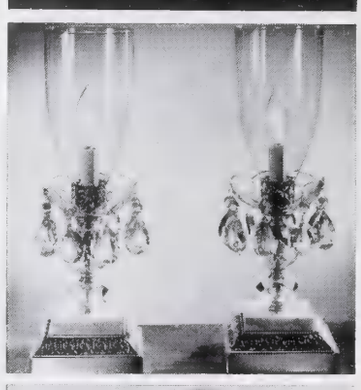
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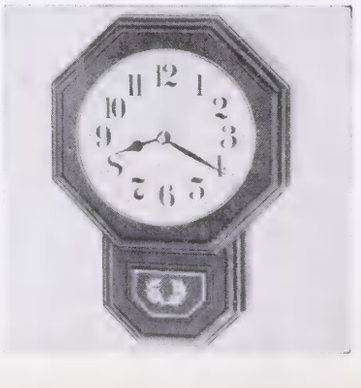
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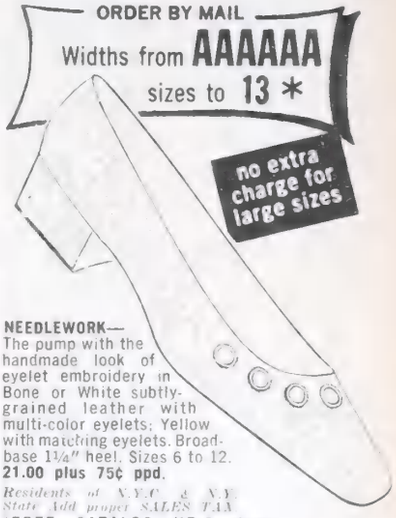


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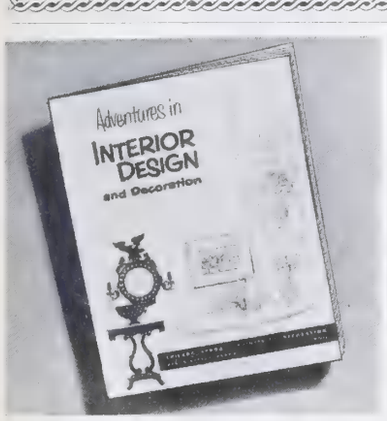
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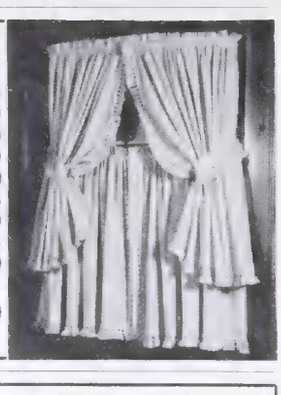
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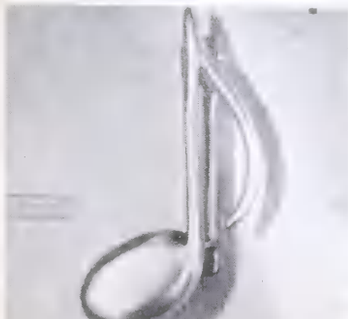
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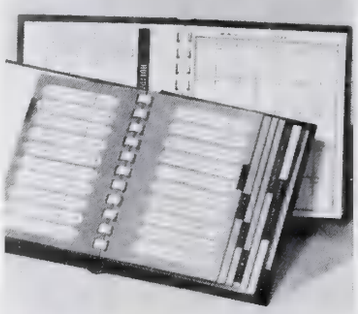
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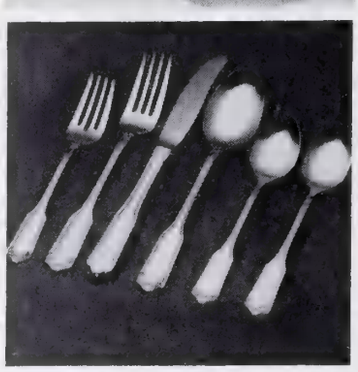


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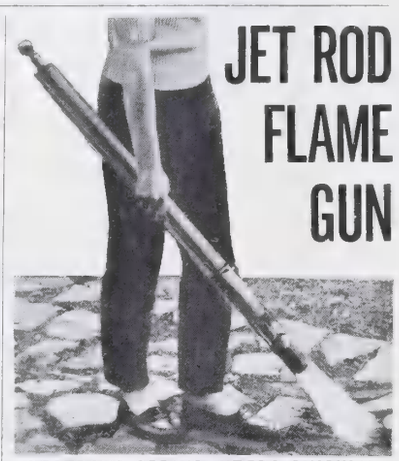
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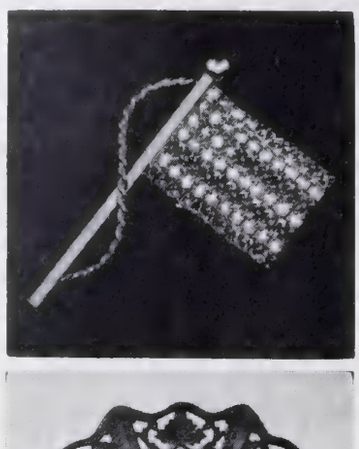
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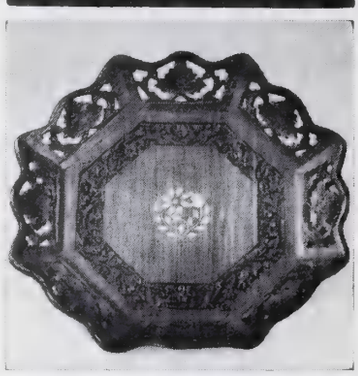
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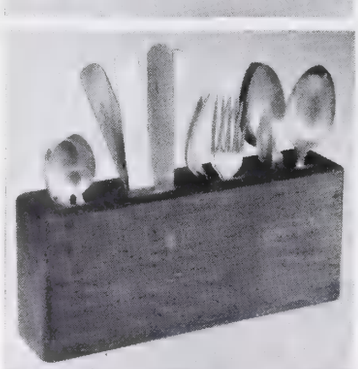
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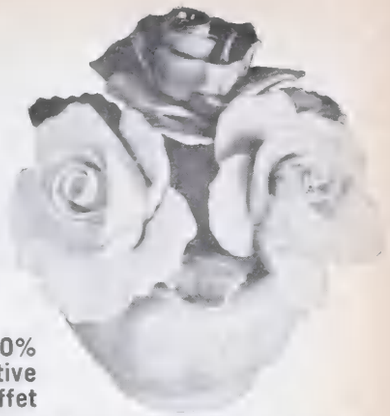
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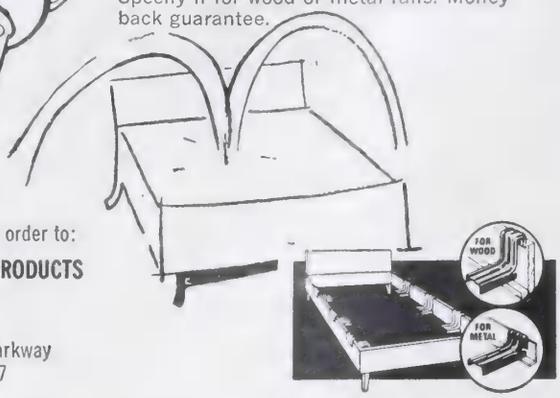
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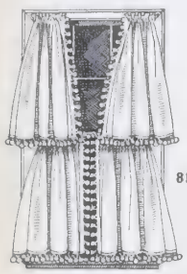
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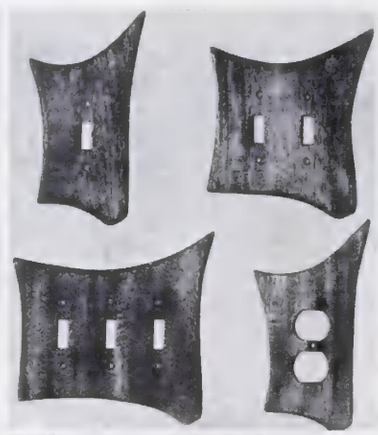
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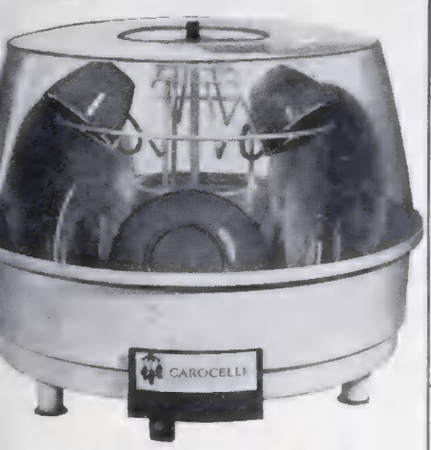
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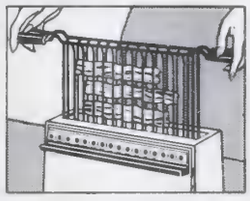
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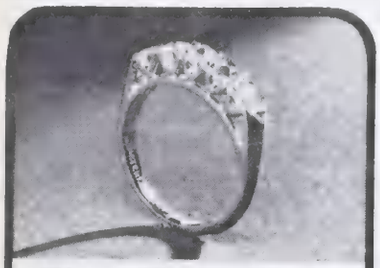


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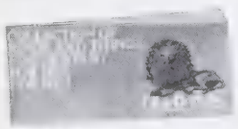
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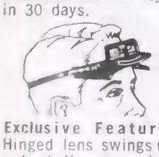
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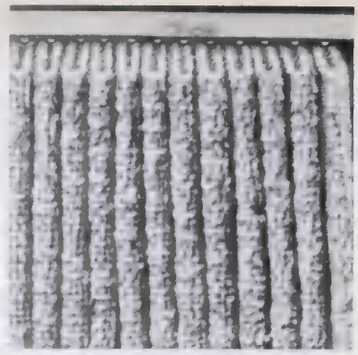


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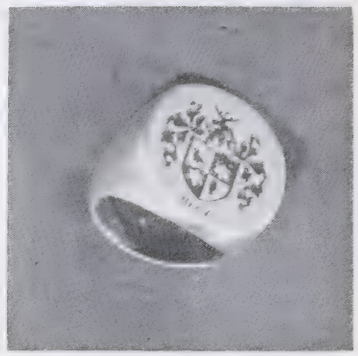
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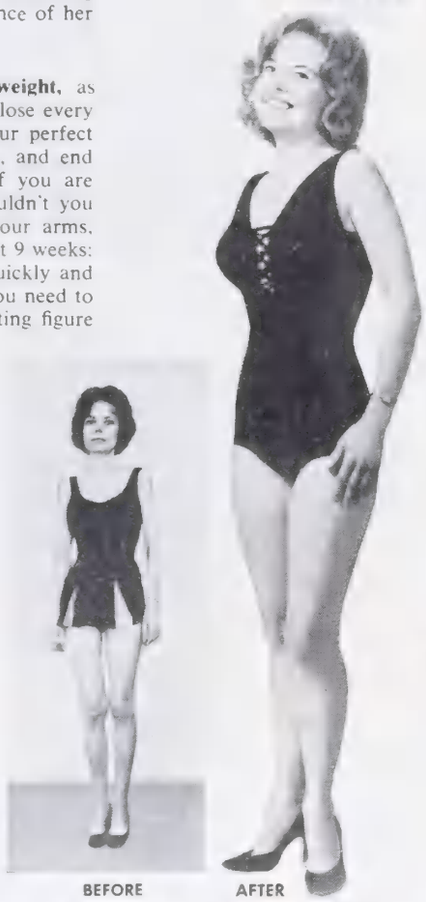


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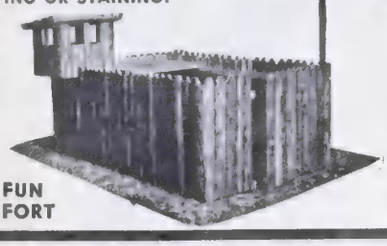
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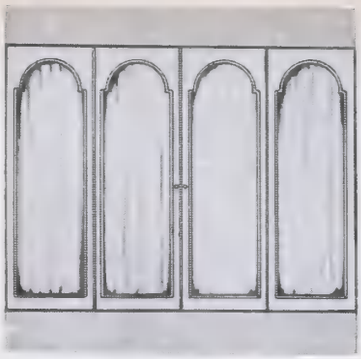
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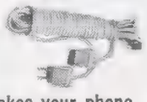
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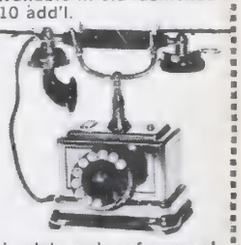


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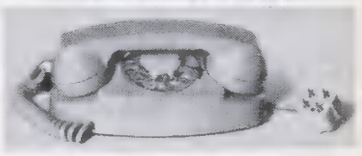


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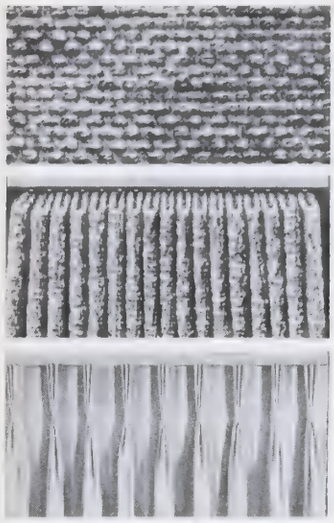
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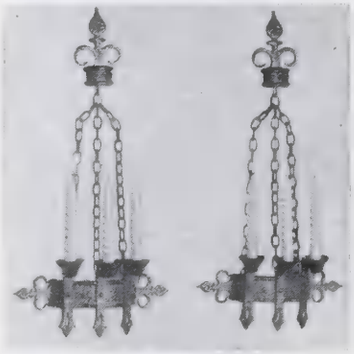
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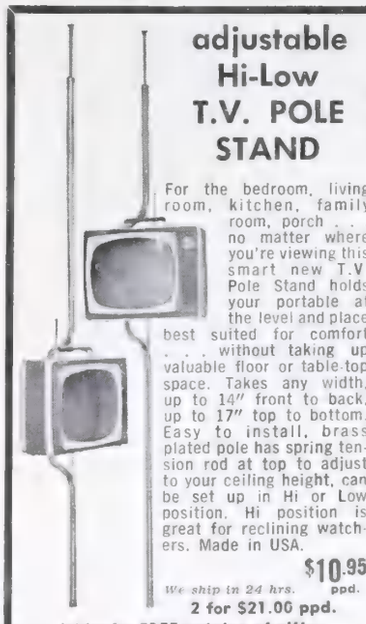
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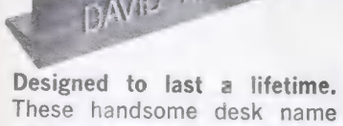
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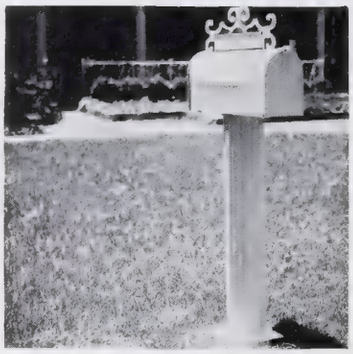
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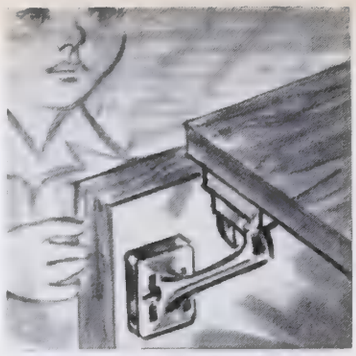
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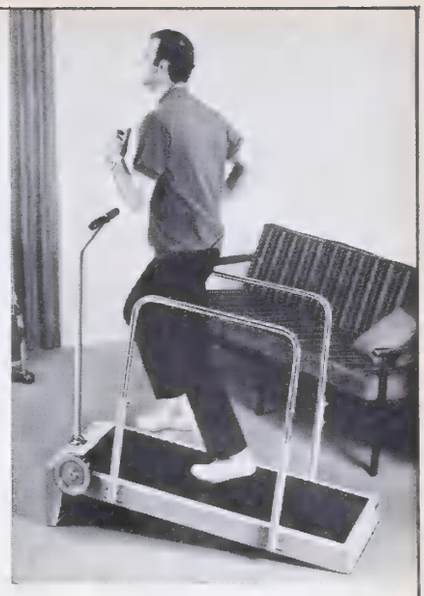
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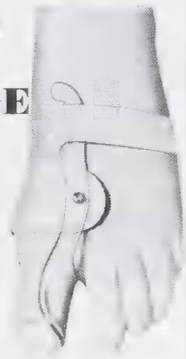
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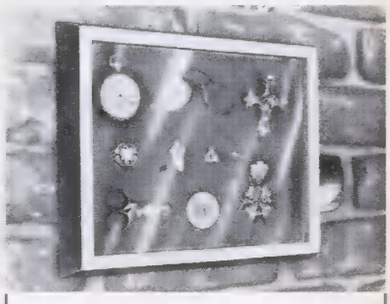


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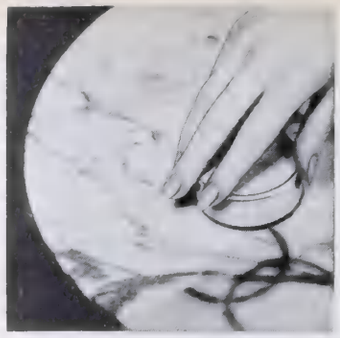
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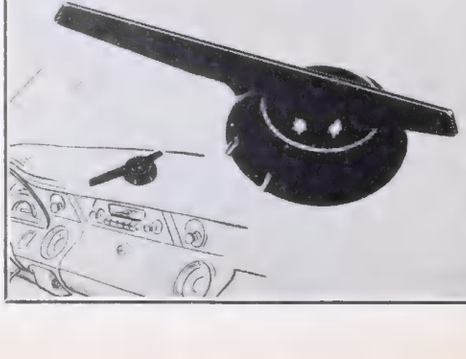
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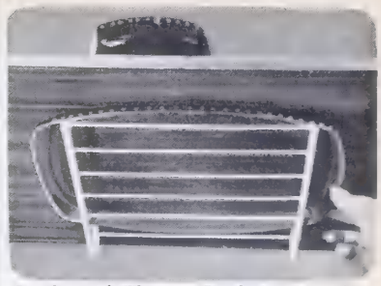
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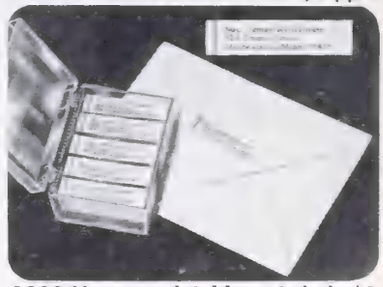
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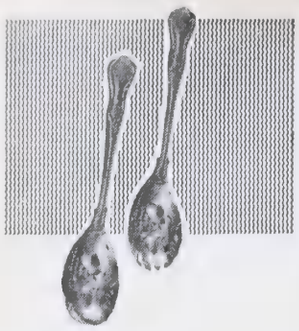


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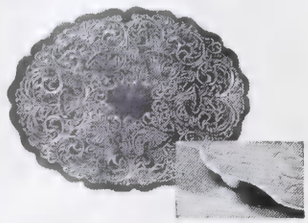
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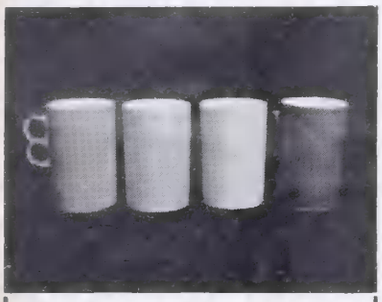
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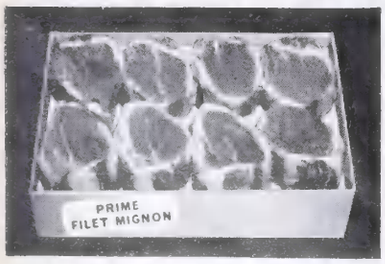
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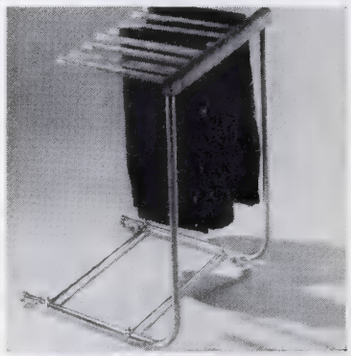
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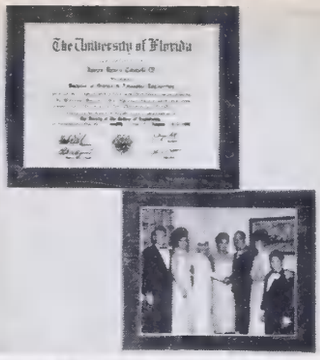


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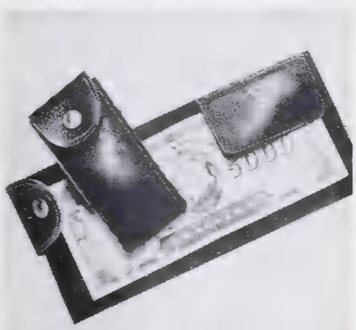
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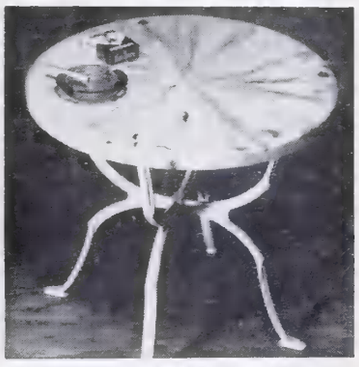
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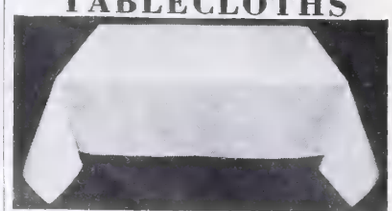
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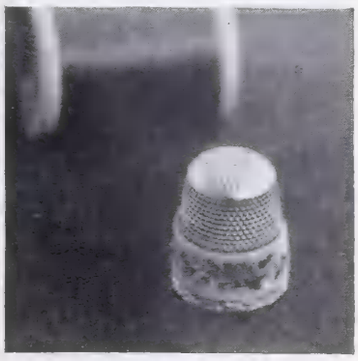
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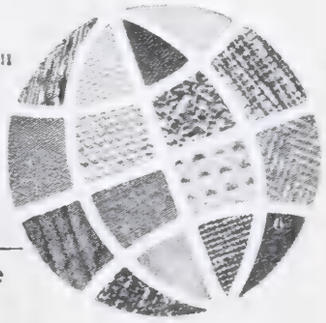
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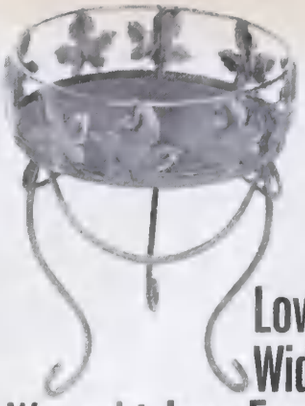
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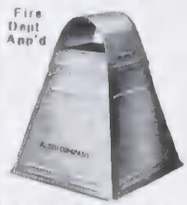
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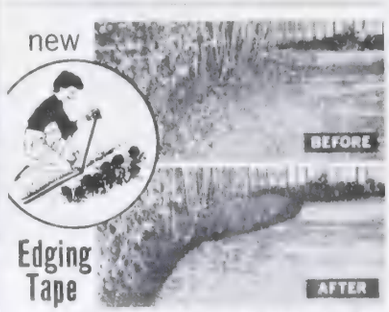
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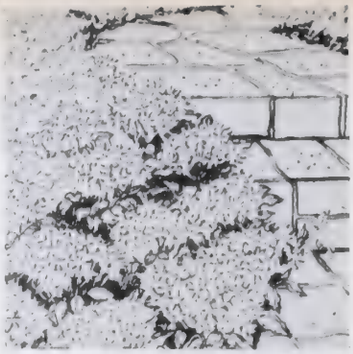
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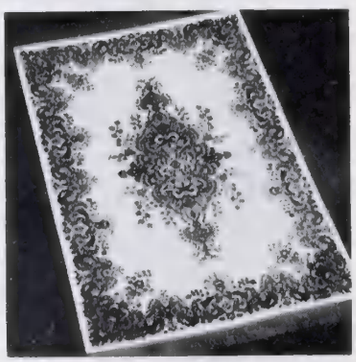
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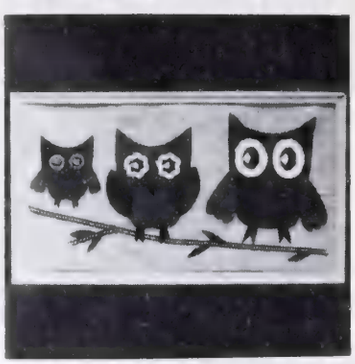
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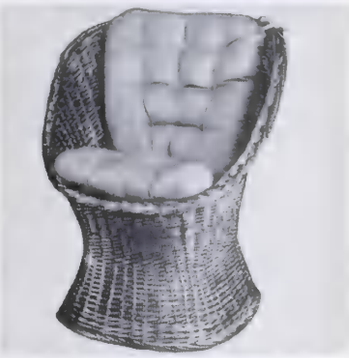
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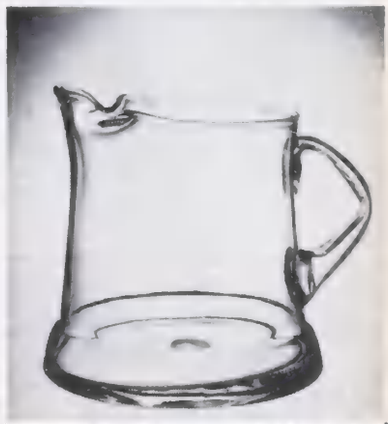
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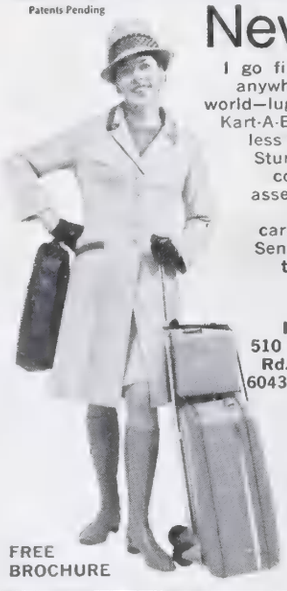
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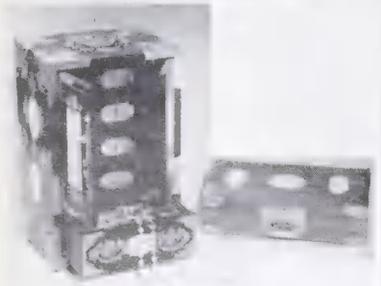


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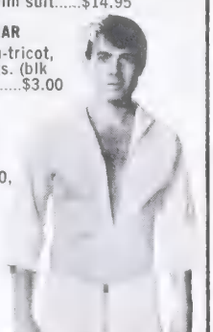
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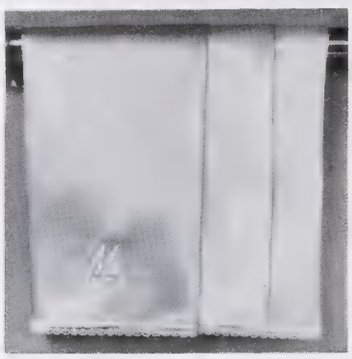
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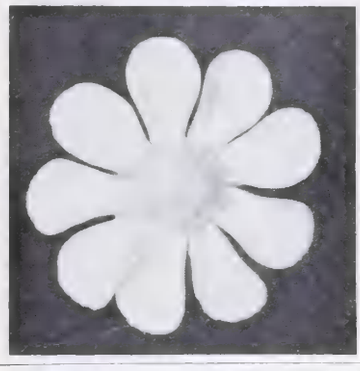
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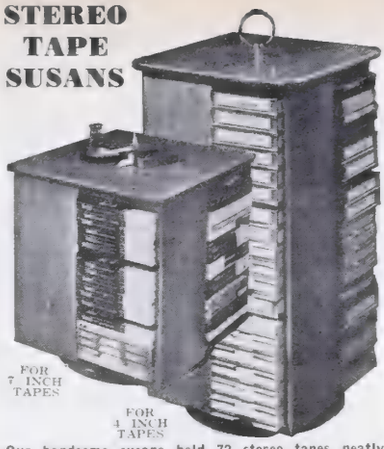
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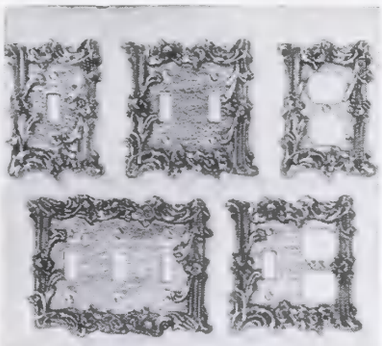
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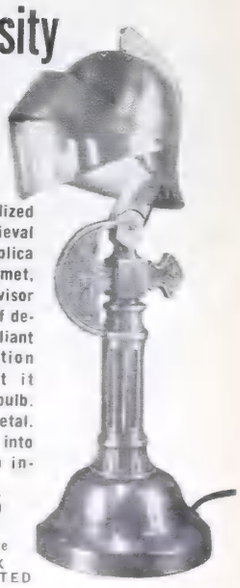
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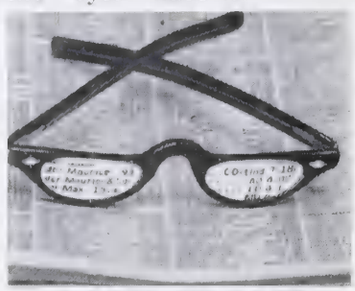
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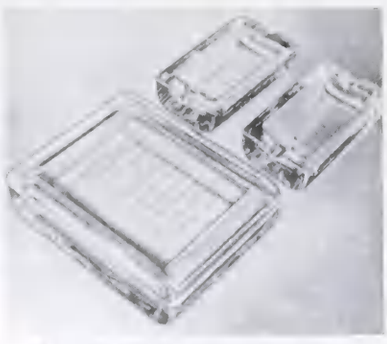


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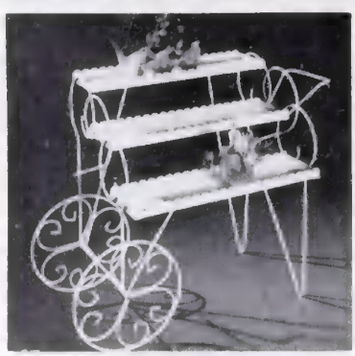
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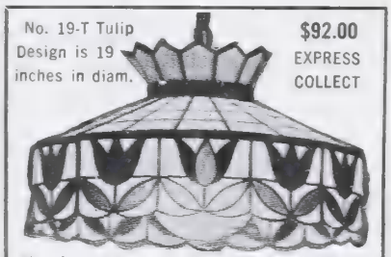
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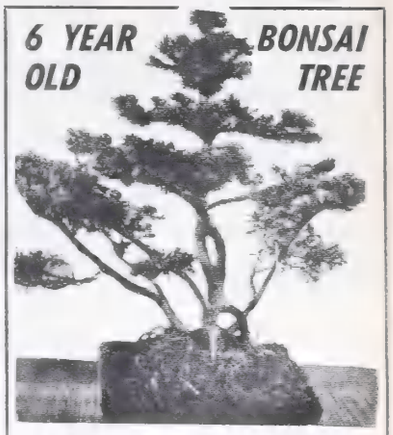
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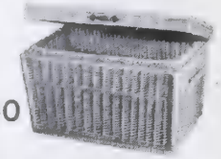
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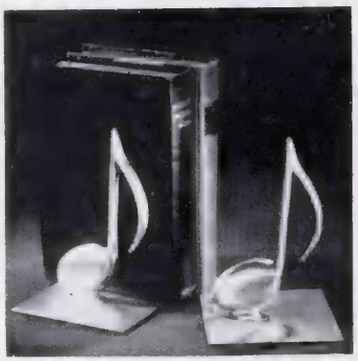


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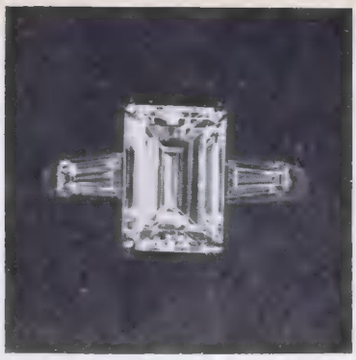
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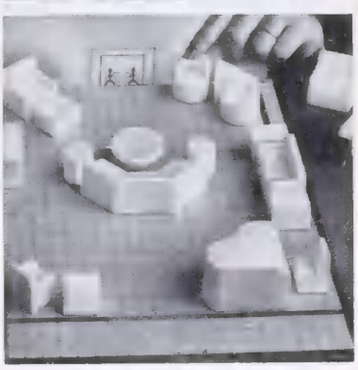
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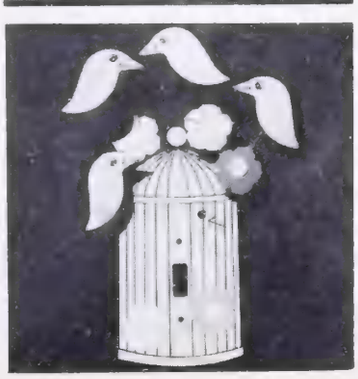
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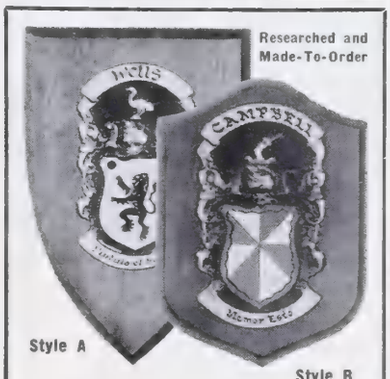
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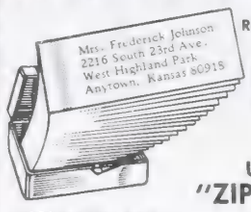


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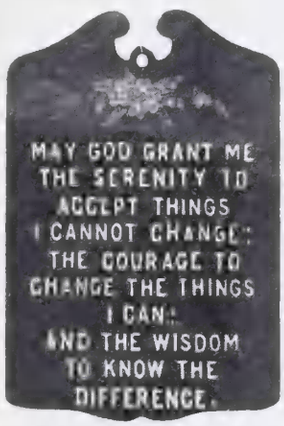
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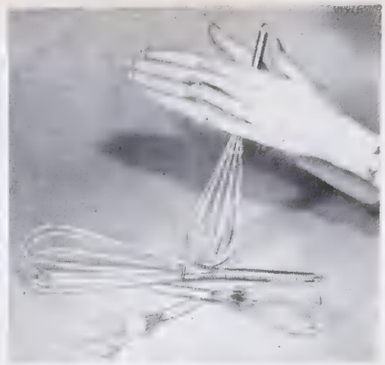
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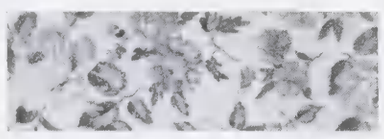
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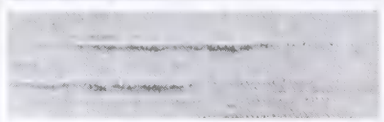
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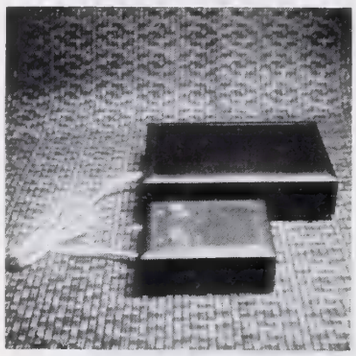
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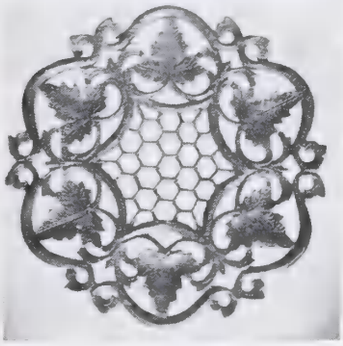
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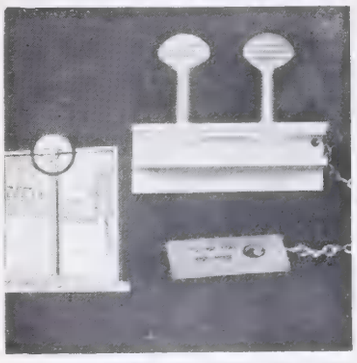
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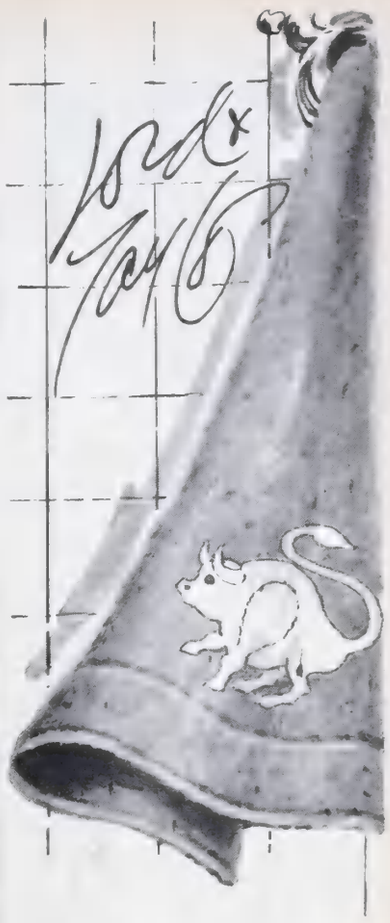
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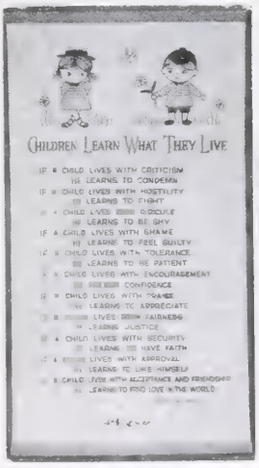
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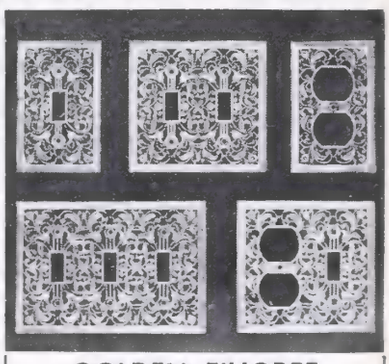
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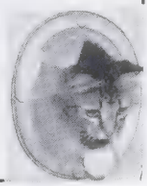


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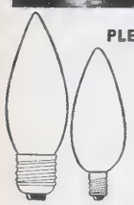


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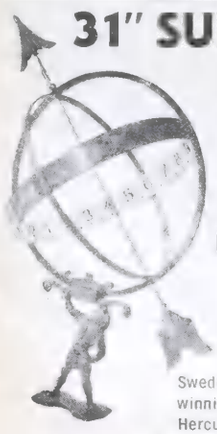
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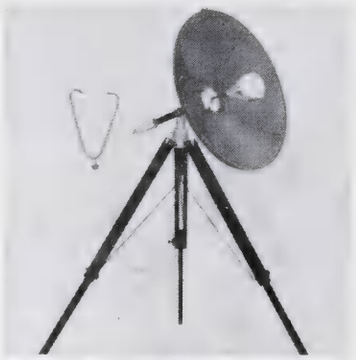
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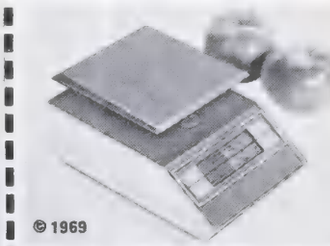
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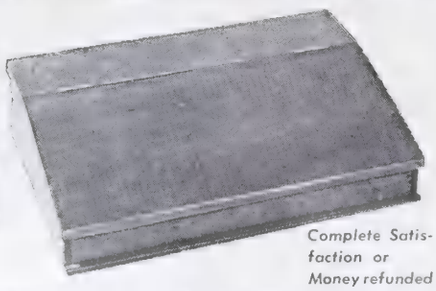
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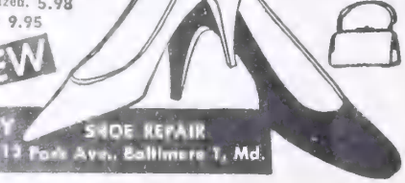
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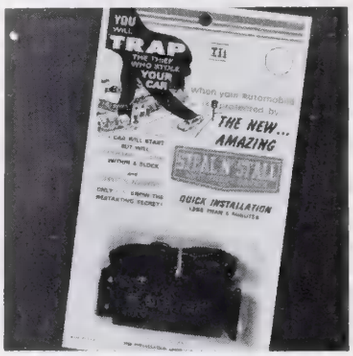
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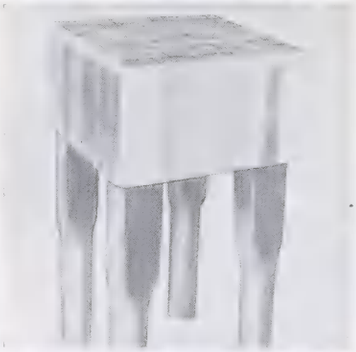
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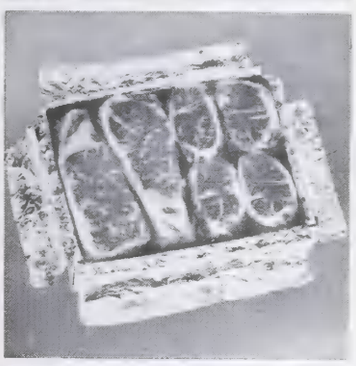
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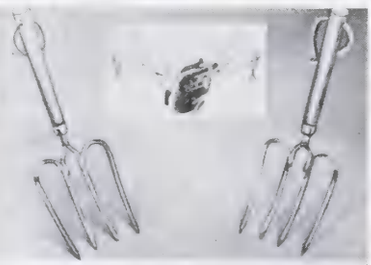
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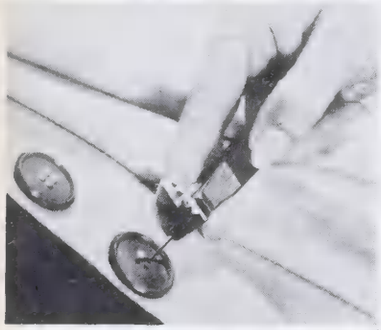
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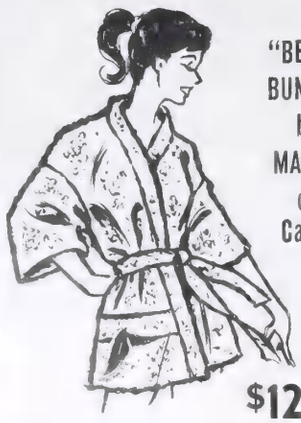
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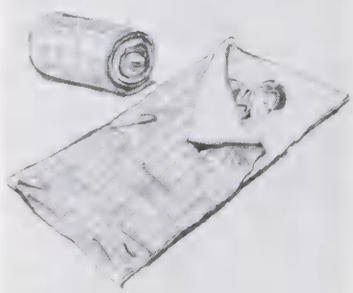
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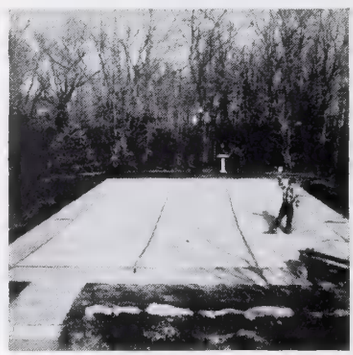
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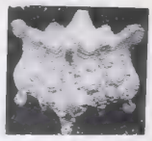


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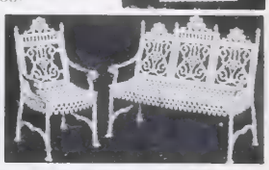
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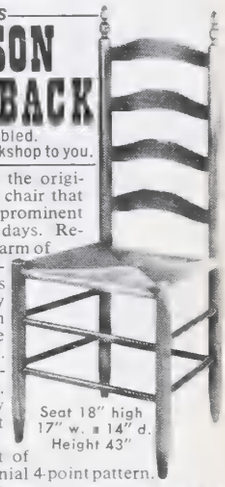




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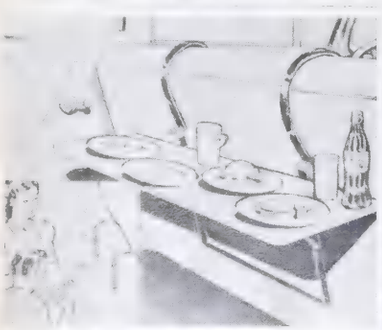
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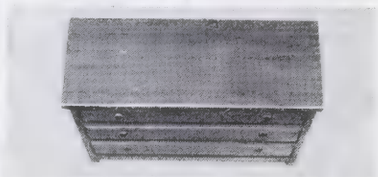


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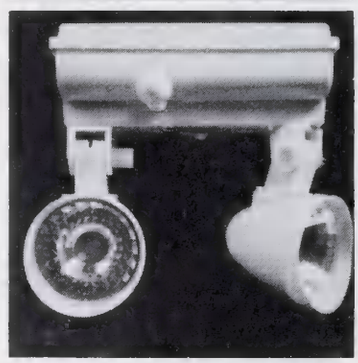
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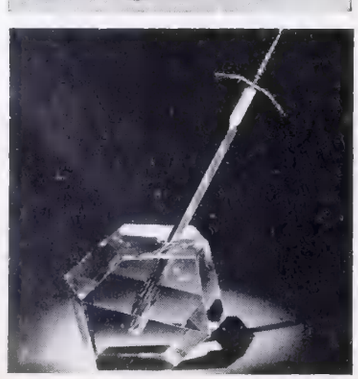
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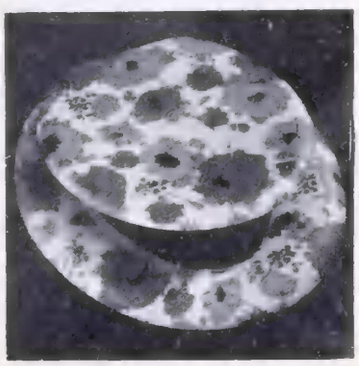
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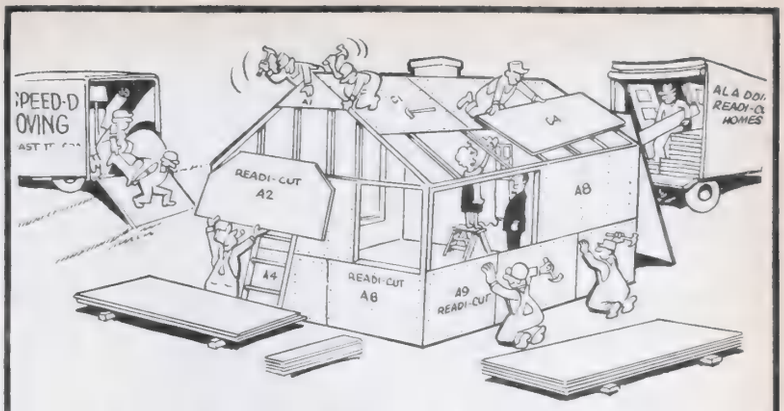


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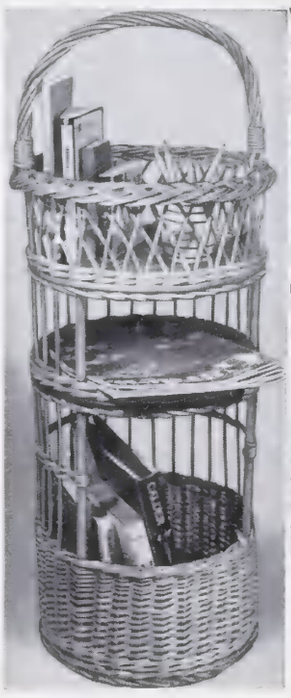




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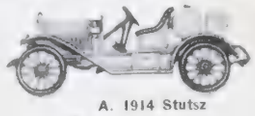
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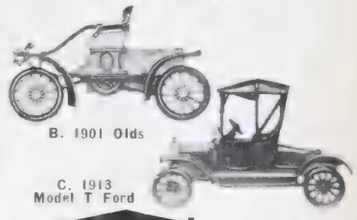
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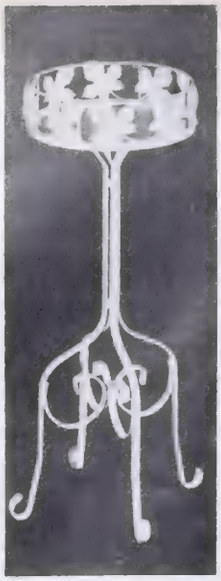


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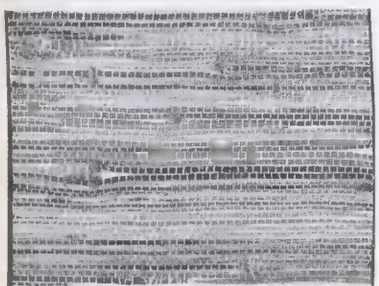
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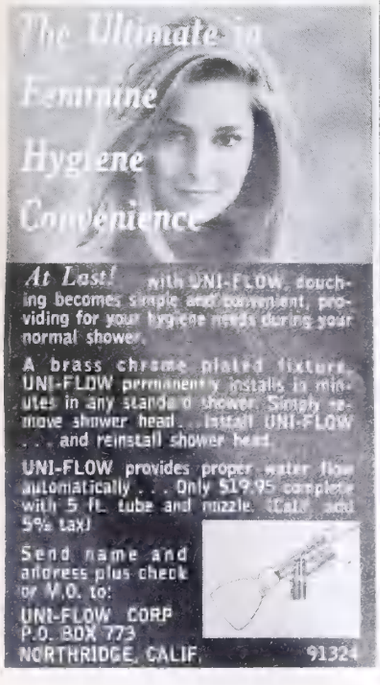


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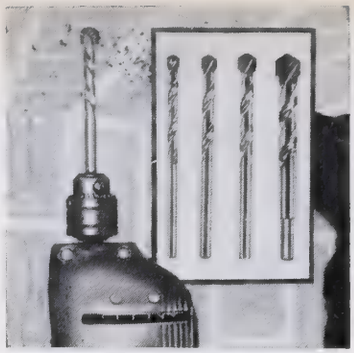
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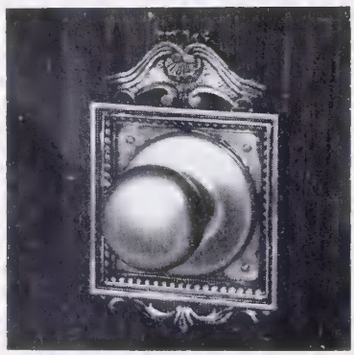
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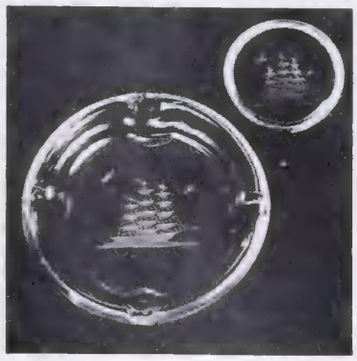


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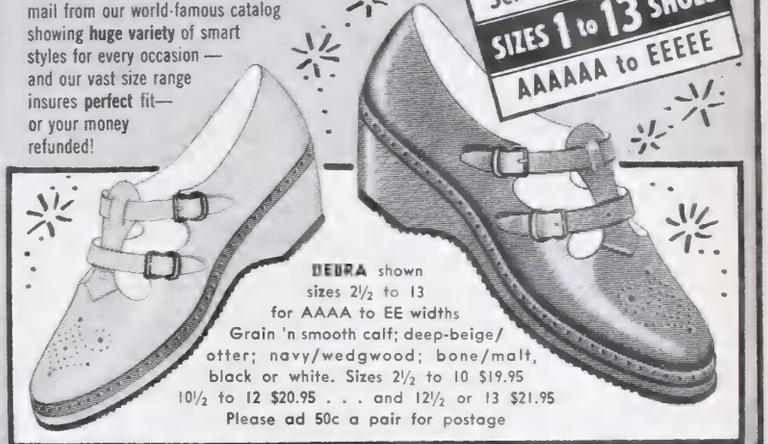
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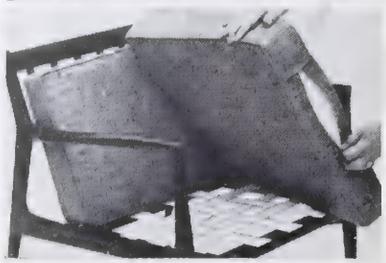
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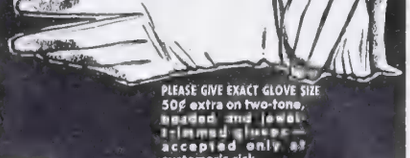
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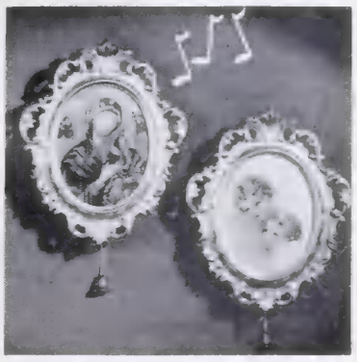
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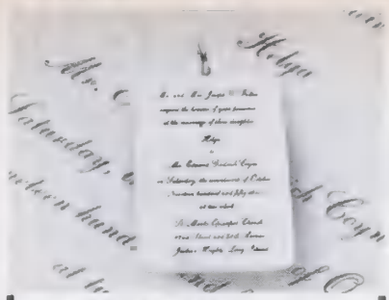


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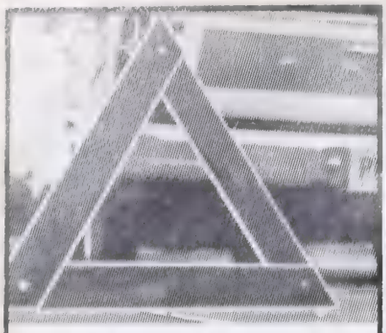
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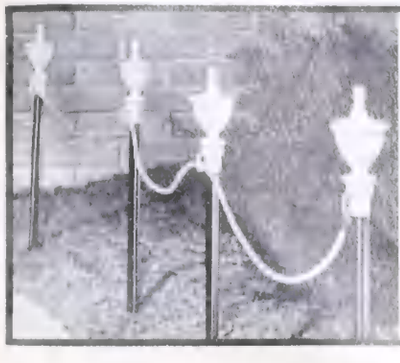
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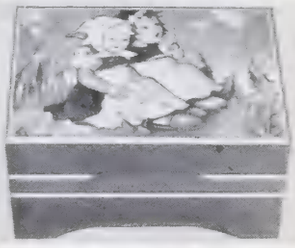
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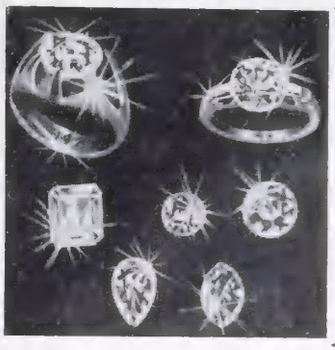
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Living room: Zefran, nylon polyester rug, "MAKE THE SC REGAL RUGS. Fireplace equip EDWIN JACKSON. Mirror, pillows leather chest, DAVID BARRETT, 54th St., N.Y.C. Red desk WILMAR. Flower containers on tel, magnifier, and monkey on on desk, box on coffee table, TOPHER CHODOFF, 117 E. 57th N.Y.C. Desk portfolio, waste b mounted rock on pedestal, SPRINGER. Parquet flooring, BRUCE. Painting over desk RICHARD CARLETON.

Dining room: Rug, SAXONY PET. Fireplace equipment, JACKSON. Birdcage, rooster on tle, cat, kettle and stand on h DORIS DESSAUER, 220 E. 57th N.Y.C. Tole clock and tray, on mantel, brass and mahogany RICHARD CARLETON. Sterling-service, "GEORGE I," THE GORHA Green pottery accessories, pai over buffet, DAVID BARRETT. Pai over mantel, "A CHILD'S WORLD Doris Klein, ART FOR IND Flooring, E.L. BRUCE.

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Wicker furniture, BIELECKY B ERS. Coffee table, flower pots cessories, LUTEN-CLAREY-STERN. and white vinyl floor tiles, GOO TIRE & RUBBER CO.

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1. LA BARGE mirror at store 14. . SONNEMAN sculptured lamp at ore 12. **3.** SHEFFIELD clock at store 4. **4.** HARVEY REID bowl at store 13. . GREAT EASTERN table at store 8. . MARTEX sheets and towels at ores 1, 5, 17, 18. **8.** ZENITH radio t stores 4, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18. . PANDE CAMERON rug at stores 6. , 16, 18. **10.** CARLIN comforter at ores 6, 14. **11.** REED & BARTON tea t at stores 1, 4, 9, 12, 14, 18. **12.** EORGE KOCH bedspread holder at ores 4, 12. **13.** and **14.** WATER-ORD jug and ashtray at stores 4. , 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18. **15.** GEAT paperweight at store 13. **16.** RREFORS decanter at stores 1, 4, 5, 1, 12, 13, 14, 18. **17.** JABARA table-oth at stores 1, 6, 14, 18. **18.** OYAL CROWN DERBY dinnerware at ores 1, 13. **19.** WATERFORD goblets t stores 1, 4, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18. *Inadvertently, Bon Marche's selec-ons were omitted from the above st. However, many of these gifts re carried by Bon Marche.)*

How to preserve the warm glow of wood

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Reapplying a clear finish, as described above, will bring the wood back to its former beauty.

Sealer stains are excellent on less important work, such as children's furniture, pieces headed for your weekend hideaway, or wood that's going to get light wear—trim, for example. And there's no quarreling about the fact that these stains are easier to apply. You spread them evenly with a brush or rag. A little wiping may be needed: another coat, if you want to darken the wood, and that's all. No need for a clear finish coat. Drying time is usually from eight hours to overnight.

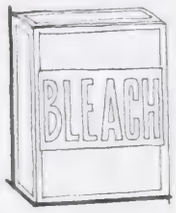
(Note: No matter what type of stain you select, it's always wise practice to test the coating on an inconspicuous portion of your project. Unfortunately, colors vary from product to product. What one maker calls deep walnut may look quite a bit unlike another brand labeled the same way. In addition, the same stain will look very different on different species of wood.)



Filler: for opened-grained wood

Normally, fillers come in paste form; are mixed with a solvent, and applied *after* stain, but before the seal coat. At one time, it was common practice to fill the open pores of oak floors (as it was to fill other open-grain woods). It is still used by a number of professionals, and dedicated amateur refinishers. "Pro-fillers" say it makes a smooth, even finish possible on open-grained wood. "Anti-fillers" claim it destroys the natural beauty of the wood. As you might expect, the truth lies somewhere in between. Fillers do tend to mask the natural grain of, say, mahogany, but do also set up a surface for a smooth, marvelously even finish.

Once mixed, fillers should be brushed on a small area at a time, allowed to dry partially, and rubbed with a dry cloth in a circular motion. Finish up with a clean cloth, rubbing this time with the grain. Let it dry 24 hours, and then apply a thin sealer coat and your finish coats—varnish or shellac. Lacquer may "lift" the filler (i.e. the filler could bleed into the lacquer). Obviously, to match the wood tone, you'd choose or tint the filler to blend with the stain, or with the natural wood finish, if you intended to use no stain. For special effects, and rather dramatic ones sometimes, you might purposely select a filler darker (or lighter) than the wood tone.



Bleach: a tone lightener for all woods

"Blonde" oak and mahogany furniture seems to be recurrently popular. And wood bleaches are the means to turn the wood blonde. Bleaches are also used, as mentioned earlier, to clean stubborn spots on wood.

An ordinary household bleach will prove too mild a solution. What you need for this purpose is a wood bleach (sold in nearly all paint stores). They are packaged as a powder, ready to mix in water, or in two bottles, the contents of which you mix before application. Caution: These are strong—often mixtures of caustic soda and hydrogen peroxide. Positively wear rubber gloves and some kind of protective apron. And watch for spills; throw drop-clothes over whatever surrounds your project.

You generally brush on bleach, then rinse the surface. Allow the wood to dry thoroughly. Next, with a very fine grade of paper, sand down the water-raised grain; clean up, and apply a clear finish.

Stains, fillers, and bleaches—these are the basic ingredients to alter the natural tone of wood without hiding the grain. Over this (or over untreated wood) go clear finishes. *Between* stain and finish coat, you should apply a sealer, also called a penetrating sealer. This will lock in the stain color and provide a smooth surface and better adhesion for the finish coat. With very fine paper, sand the sealer coat before putting down finish. Penetrating sealers contribute to a better top coat over natural wood surfaces, as well. Easiest way to choose a sealer: buy a shellac sealer for a shellac finish; varnish sealer for varnish, and a lacquer sealer for a lacquer top coat.

Here now is a quick summary of clear finishes:



Varnish: oldest and most popular

Pick any interior wood surface. There's a varnish designed for it. The trick is to buy the right varnish for your project, and that isn't too difficult. Floor varnishes are generally labeled so, as are furniture and trim varnishes. If you want to coat the wood on a home bar, look for a bar varnish. If better than average resistance to alcohol and abrasion is needed, pick an epoxy varnish. For a very tough, durable finish, choose a urethane varnish.

Some application hints: Use a clean brush; work in a dust-free condition at about 70° F.; brush out the varnish smoothly with one, no more than two, strokes (to avoid raising bubbles). Two coats are standard. Apply three or four for a fine finish; sand between each coat. If you're looking for a pluperfect finish, rub the final coat with a pumice or rottenstone slurry.



Shellac: used before Caesar's time

A good, fast-drying finish for floors or trim, shellac stands up well under moderate wear, and is easy to repair. But it has low resistance to heat, alcohol, and water, and needs periodic wax applications to resist these elements effectively.

Your best course is to brush on at least two; possibly three *thin* coats, sanding lightly between coats, as always. Use white shellac on any wood; orange shellac on the darker woods (since it will darken a light wood).



Lacquer: fast-drying, clear finishes

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Linseed oil: rub and rub

Many people prefer the mellow luster of an oil finish. If you choose oil, expect to work. A good finish will take a considerable amount of rubbing. And understand before you start that it has a low resistance to water and alcohol and that it is really not too much protection for the wood.

To do it, spread a generous coat of oil over the wood surface; let it soak in; then begin rubbing. Allow this coat to dry overnight and repeat the same steps. The more you rub, the better its appearance. To get a deeper, richer appearance on the wood surface, repeat the process a third time.



Wax: the final coat

A good wax will enhance and protect a varnish, shellac, or lacquer finish. Paste waxes—especially those with Carnauba wax in them—are usually more durable than liquid waxes. Always choose one labeled for use over wood. Finally, although it's done, rubbing wax into bare wood is poor practice. It attracts dirt, and doesn't provide any real protection.

Where the birds are Continued from page 104

is well equipped with quiet boats to give you a close look at the birds, especially in the hushed and misty silent times of dawn and sunset, the hours world-round which the birds make their own.

The world's assorted great birdlands are so varied and so far flung that they are virtually impossible to list in one place. Some are particularly surprising. Everyone knows by now of the swallows and their eerily punctual annual return to Capistrano, but a similar phenomenon occurs each spring in New Milford, Pennsylvania, a state which with good reason cherishes a four-star bird preserve in Presque Island State Park, north of Erie—a meeting ground for 288 different sorts of our fine feathered friends.

Our growing awareness of the need for conserving whatever yet remains of our wild life has elevated the birds to a new status. It now turns out that it takes a healthy, happy, bird population to keep the balance of nature on an even keel, and every enlightened state in the union is putting forth efforts to preserve wilderness sanctuaries.

Here the wild birds foregather, not as sitting ducks for huntsmen, but to lead their normal lives, coming and going or, as the case may be, staying with the seasons. Their choice of roosting place may be forest, desert, swampland, sand dune, or the rocky crags of seawashed cliffs or breezy mountaintops, but, as luck would have it, they are usually found where it does mankind a world of good to follow—in quiet, lonely, fresh-air places. Without question, those who like to hike, camp out, and vacation close to nature have the best of it when it comes to meeting the birds on their own grounds. Of course, you are not always invited to pitch camp in a bird sanctuary, but there is usually nearby provision within hiking or canoeing distance for bird-seekers.

The state of Wisconsin puts you right back into Indian country as the first explorers must have found it with the Van Loon Wildlife area in La Crosse County—4,000 acres along five miles of the Black River, approached via U.S. Highway 53. Among the sedge and wild rice in the same state—a waterfowl preserve in the Pershing Wild Life Area near Hannibal and the Chequamegon National Forest.

Hilton Head Island in South Carolina, a piney world where the woods seem to run into the ocean, may be better known as a secluded paradise for golfers and beach buffs, but it is also a lively enclave for Audubonites. It's surrounded by estuaries, and so has a fair amount of marshland and meadow as well as woods, a nice diversity to invite the birds. Birdwatchers who took part in the annual Audubon Christmas Count last year saw 144 different species and something like 18,593 birds, including what the initiates consider a rare bonanza—the broad-winged hawk. Wilson's plover, the Eastern wood peewee, and the white-crowned sparrow. Over the country, 840 localities totaled up their birds in the Christmas Count—the national winner San Diego, with a tally of 209 species, all duly verified by officers of the Audubon Society.

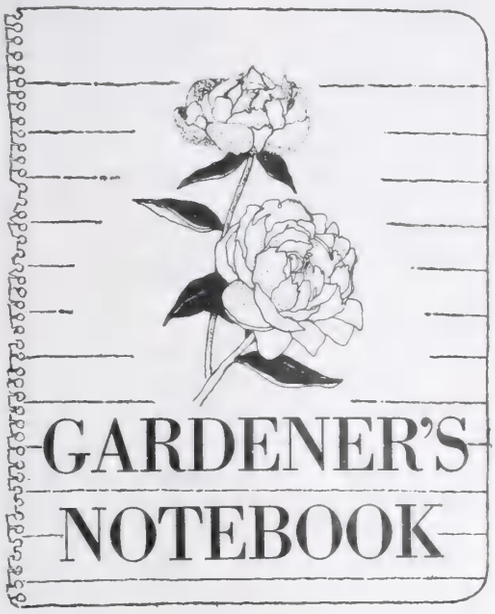
Louisiana has the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge, near Grand Chenière—84,000 acres, 26 miles long, where something like 600,000 ducks of various species take their vacations, along with a variety of Canadian geese and assorted waterfowl. The brown pelican, which happens to be the state bird, virtually disappeared for eight years, owing to such misfortunes as unprecedented hurricanes and insecticides; but it is now back, splashing around and clowning it up at Timbalier Bay and Chandeleur Islands. This new stock was imported from Florida and nurtured carefully by the Wildlife Refuge—a sidelight on the sort of work conservationists are up to.

A more carefree pelican population exists on the Greek Islands—a debonair fellow called Jason is practically the mascot of the island of Rhodes; and throughout the warm waters of the Caribbean these bird comedians liven things up for vacationists. In the Virgin Islands, especially in Virgin Gorda and Caneel Bay on the island of St. John, they seem to enjoy sharing an early-morning or late-afternoon swim with the paying guests.

St. John is also the site of the Virgin Islands National Park, one of our few tropical preserves lushly tangled with exotic vegetation, cooled by jungle waterfalls and hollowed out with the mysterious caves of the equally mysterious Caribs. This provides fascinating hunting ground for bird-watchers—besides a piquant variation on swimming, sailing, snorkeling, and similar resort

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By Elvin McDonald



ome lively comments on plants, gardens, and gardeners

ust as sure as some peonies ring a burst of bloom to the lay landscape, there will be me that do not provide the uch-hoped-for flower show. If our peonies fail to bloom. here re some likely causes to check:

(1) Look for signs of disease. otrytis blight is a frequent roblem. Infected shoots turn ray-brown in early spring. Older ems rot at the ground. If your eonies have these symptoms. re- ove diseased parts immediately. emove badly infected plants om the garden. As a preventive d. cut peony plants to the round after frost turns the foli- e brown in fall; burn or other- ise destroy the tops. In the ring you can help prevent this ight by spraying two or three nes at 10-day intervals with a ngicide such as zineb or ferbam. ailable at your garden center.

(2) There are other problems at keep peonies from blooming. anting too deeply is one. Cover e eyes of the roots with no ore than two inches of soil. ant in autumn. Do not remove ge amounts of foliage when tting the flowers, and do not t back the foliage in the fall til it turns brown naturally af- frost. Be sure that your peo- es aren't competing unfairly th large and greedy tree and rub roots. Feed and water regu- ly during the spring and sum- r growing season. Sometimes ly late spring frosts are the se of spoiling peony buds.

Try flowering tobacco

Flowering tobacco or nicotiana is an old-fashioned flower with a great many uses for today's gardens. Even the species, *N. affinis*, with its rangy growth to three feet high has an unmistakable charm when the pure-white flowers open in the evening and release their heavy tuberose fragrance.

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Sow nicotiana seeds on the surface of well-prepared soil where they are to grow after danger of frost is past. Press gently into the surface; do not cover. Keep moist at all times until the seedlings are growing well. Thin to stand 12 inches apart; transplant extra seedlings to other parts of the garden, or to containers. ■

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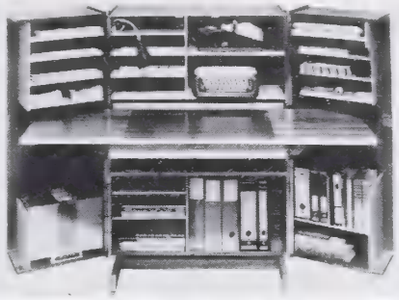
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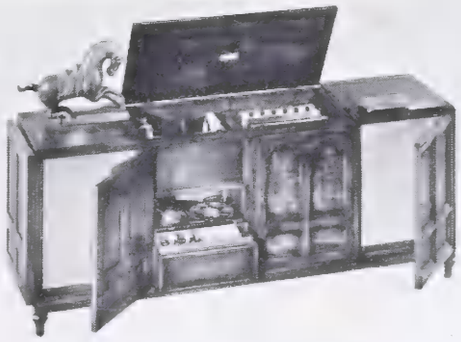
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Where the birds are

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pastimes. The birds are tropical, especially fascinating to Northerners, and the very least of the lot are the appealing mourning dove and the bright banana bird.

Farther south, British Honduras has lately set aside 6,000 acres of tropical preserve, the Columbia Forest Refuge, which will be under the aegis of the Florida Audubon Society and prove glamorous pickings for those who "collect" bright-winged tropical birds. Florida's own Everglades are rich in bird life, and Hialeah, as every one knows, is flamingo territory.

In the "Robinson Crusoe" island of Tobago, the strange, almost eerie coconut groves are home to birds that fall into the "bird of paradise" category.

Flamingoes in Africa

Ethiopia has its strangely beautiful "Pink Lake"—Lake Hora Abyata—where flamingoes in their thousands cover the waters and their pumice-stone shores with a glow of color.

On Australia's tropical Gold Coast, one of the phenomena of this resort area is the curious daily ritual of the wild budgarees—or what we untutored folk call love birds—every evening at the same hour, and with awesome punctuality, the birds arrive in a brilliant swooshing crowd, like the wind in Technicolor, to descend on a feeding station, where they eat their dinner for an audience of tourists, then take flight in the same colorful way.

Canada is peppered with wildlife refuges especially favored by game birds and geese, and declared off-bounds for gun-toting hunters. For the bird-watching coterie, one of its most famous sanctuaries is White Shell Provincial Park in Manitoba.

Ardent bird people tend to take a dim view of zoos and aviaries that imply constriction—but the free-flying encouragement given birds at the Baltimore Zoo is a sign of the enlightened times. And for one of the most engrossing, heartening experiences, we recommend a visit to the Zoo in Frankfurt, West Germany. Here, under the direction of one of the world's most humane and inventive naturalists, Professor Bernhard Grzimek, all animals and birds in particular live in free, liberating surroundings which approximate their natural homes, a sight to see that puts the Frankfort Zoo in the category of a national treasure.

For bird-watchers on the move with a yen for far-off places, the most fascinating itinerary yet to come our way is a Wildlife Tour designed by Treasure Tours International, concentrating on some of the richest exotic bird sanctuaries in the world. A rare and tantalizing route it is—India and the water-bird sanctuary of Kheolado Ghana near Agra and the Taj Mahal, to Kaziranga in Assam in the Himalayas, where such scarcely seen birds as egrets and Tucker's blue flycatchers abound, to Madras and Vidanthangal and its 10,000 rarities; Nepal, and its wild life; Ceylon, where the road from Colombo to Candy—if you know how to look—flutters with a great bird population, and you can see the "flying flowers" which are in fact butterflies that live in the trees; Ceylon's buried cities and the tanks (or lakes) in the area of Anaradhapura, the Mikintale Bird Sanctuary near Anarad. A hard-to-beat combination of offbeat and onbeat travel, under the direction of Harold S. Peters, a knowledgeable naturalist, and M.A. Badshah, an Indian expert, with on-the-scene briefings by local authorities on the bulbul and similar exotica.

Sources of information

Serious aficionados of birdlife will naturally ally themselves with the Audubon Society, which keeps an international eye out on bird sanctuaries, wildernesses, and aviaries. There is probably an Audubon Society in your state—National Audubon Society headquarters are at 1621 Wisconsin Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036. Members are privy to the kind of information that can help them plan their travel to include the leavening of a bit of local bird-watching. The places in the U.S.A., where birds, from waterfowl to hoot owls, may be visited in their natural surroundings have been thoroughly cased by the Wilderness Society, 729 15th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036; and the National Conservancy, 1522 K Street N.W., Suite 1030, Washington, D.C. 20036. The National Park Assoc., 1300 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, also provides literature which has pretty well documented the bird population and where to find it in our national parks and wildernesses, and many state conservation departments can give you the same type of directions to wild life areas in state parks. ■

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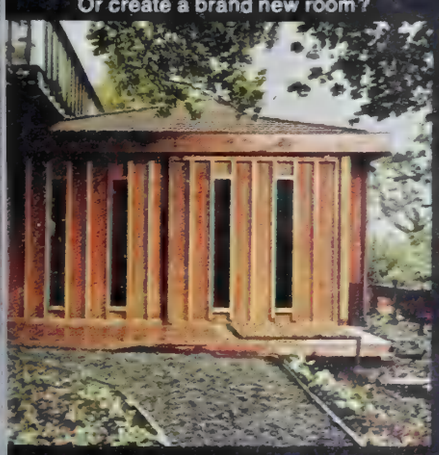
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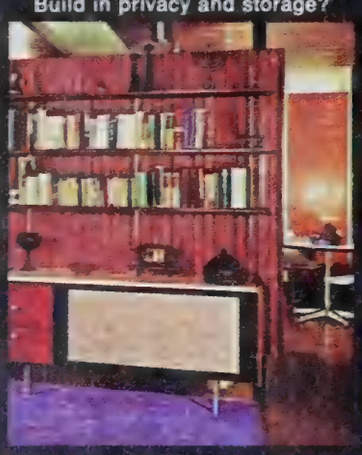
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Mrs. Kerr and her husband, Walter, *The New York Times* Sunday drama critic, still live there. And in the vast courtyard the Belgian carillon with its 32 bells still peals out a duet from "Carmen" to call the Kerr children to dinner.

In the Kerr household are the four sons of "Daisies" fame—Christopher, twins Colin and John, and Gilbert. But there are 3 new additions—son Gregory, 5-year-old daughter Kitty and a Kenmore stove from Sears, Roebuck and Co.

"Wanted that self-cleaning oven!"

"Everybody cooks in this family," sighs Jean Kerr. "With 8 of us, a 4-lb. rib roast disappears like snowflakes on a griddle. So I really needed the double ovens on our new Kenmore stove.

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"I close the door on the mess."

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"Is not the hope of being one day able to purchase and enjoy luxuries, a great spur to labour and industry?

"May not luxury, therefore, produce more than it consumes, if, without such a spur, people would be, as they are naturally enough inclined to be, lazy and indolent? *To this purpose I remember a circumstance.*

> "The skipper of a shallop, employed between Cape May and Philadelphia, had done us some small service, for which he refused to be paid. My wife, understanding that he had a daughter, sent her a present of a new-fashioned cap.
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> "*Three years after,* this skipper being at my house with an old farmer of Cape May, his passenger, he mentioned the cap, and how much his daughter had been pleased with it.
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> " 'But' (said he) 'it proved a dear cap to our congregation.'
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> "How so?"
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> " 'When my daughter appeared with it at meeting, it was so much admired, that all the girls resolved to get such caps from Philadelphia, and my wife and I computed that the whole could not have cost *less than a hundred pounds.*'
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> "'True', (said the farmer) 'but you do not tell all the story. I think the cap was nevertheless an advantage to us; for it was the first thing that put our girls upon knitting worsted mittens for sale at Philadelphia, that they might have wherewithal to buy caps and ribbons there; *and you know that the industry has continued,* and is likely to continue and increase to a much greater value, and answer better purposes.'
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> "Upon the whole, I was more reconciled to this little piece of luxury, since not only the girls were made happier by having fine caps, but the Philadelphians by the supply of warm mittens."

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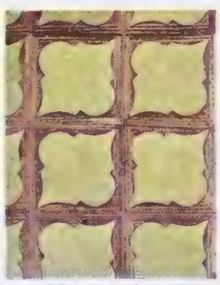
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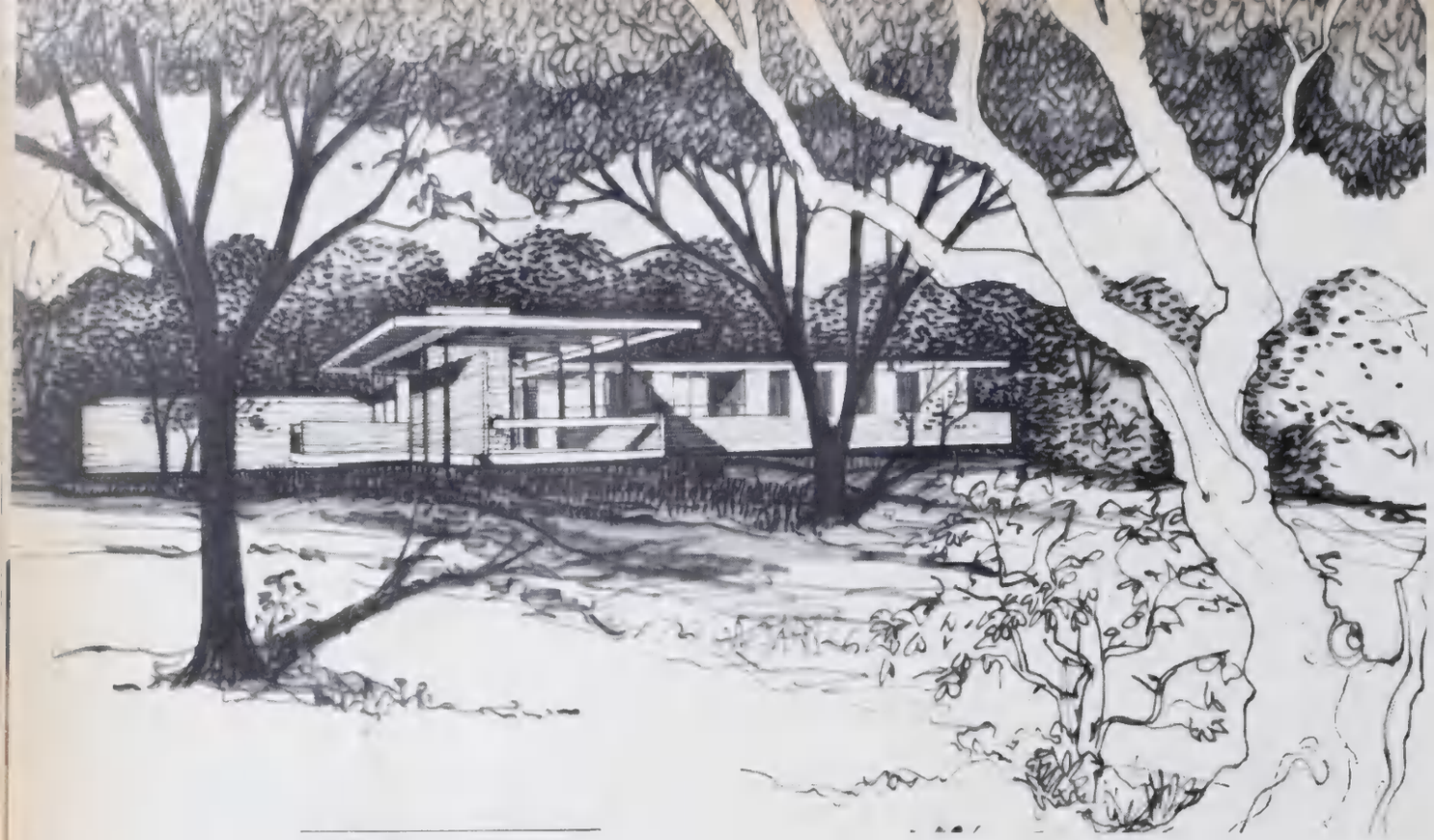


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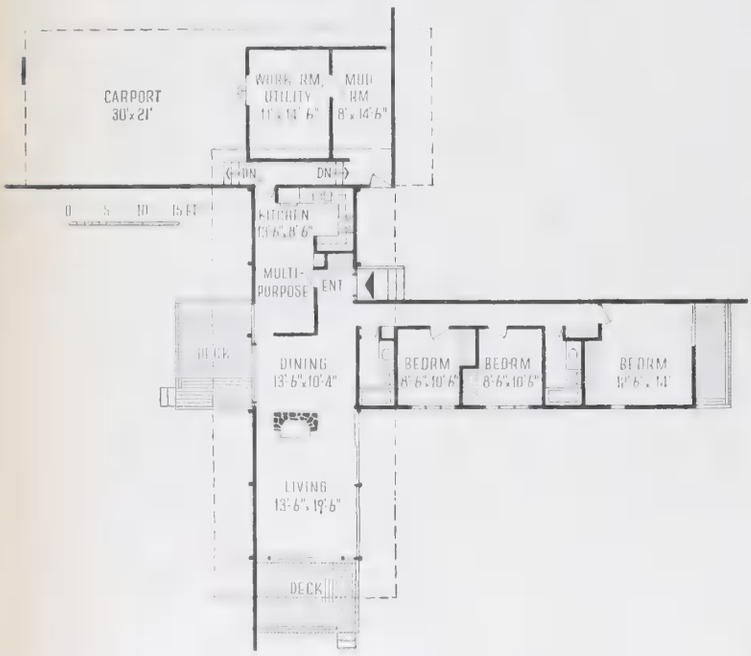
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Crisp lines with the materials of nature

By John H. Ingersoll

On a gentle rise in the rich farmland of Bucks County, Pennsylvania, this new home of Douglas fir, glass, and native fieldstone makes a strong architectural statement without becoming alienated from the surrounding landscape. The fir is allowed to be itself—coated only with a clear preservative. The stone is earthy. Horizontal emphasis of the tongue-and-groove siding accentuates the length of each wing of the house, and, to the eye, lowers its silhouette, making the house seem more a part of the land.

The three-way thrust of the plan simplifies the normal division of activities within and controls the views to the east and south. Basic framing for the house stands, for the most part, outside the exterior walls—a structural technique that liberates the design of space within. A raised roof over the living and dining areas allows clerestory windows above the solid walls—windows that face the rising and setting sun, permitting light but not radiant heat to flow into this space. In fact, the open, day-bright milieu of the living area is an effective contrast to the sleeping-wing privacy. The glass walls here are completely justified, since there *is* a magnificent view to enjoy.

Designed by Architect Richard Owen Abbott, of Boston, the house is modest in size, containing about 2,000 square feet. Although natural materials were used generously, the house is very much a product of our times. For example, the architect selected unitized fiber-glass tub and showers for the baths, acrylic skylights for the sleeping-wing hall, and central heating and air conditioning throughout.

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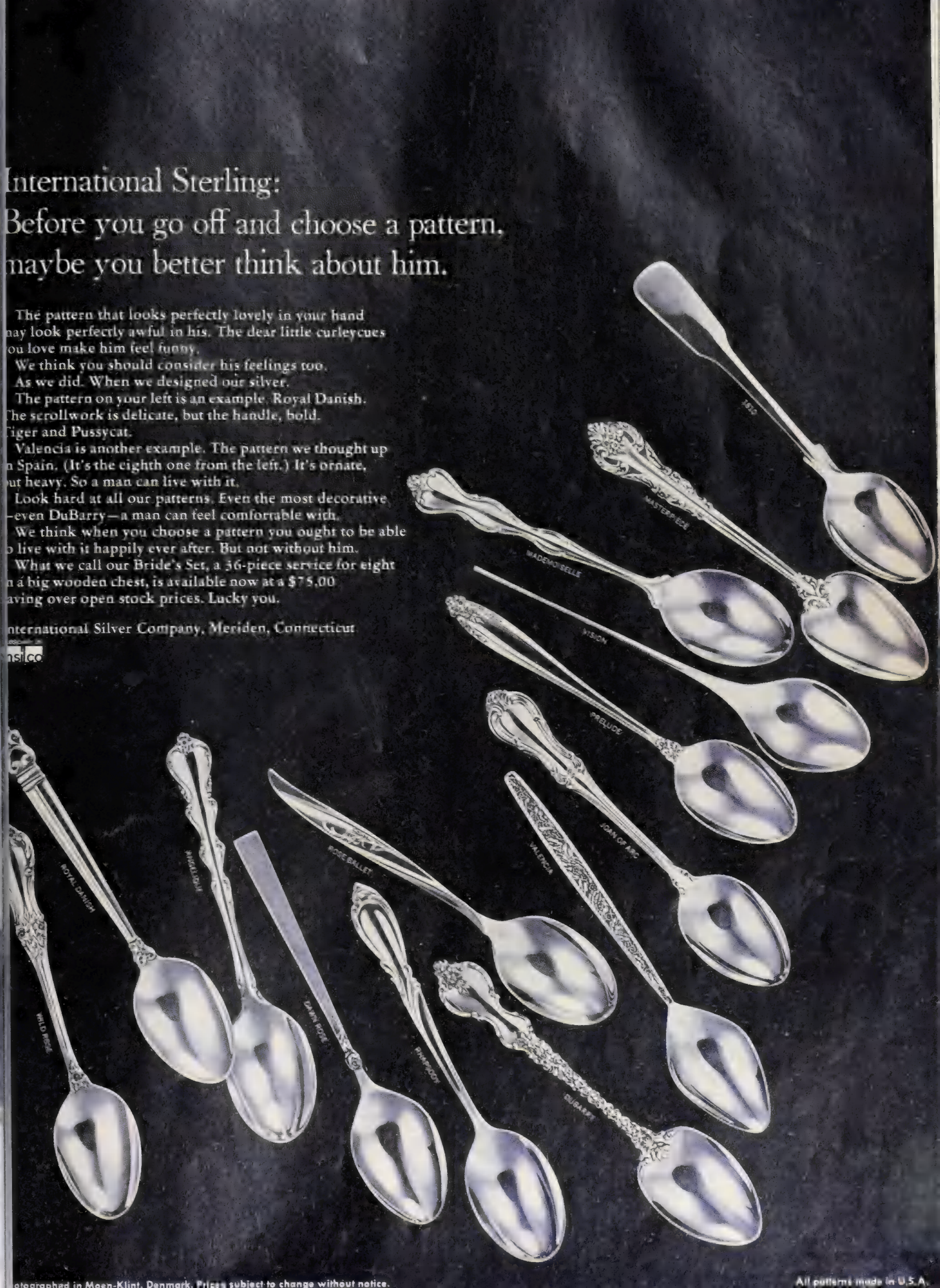
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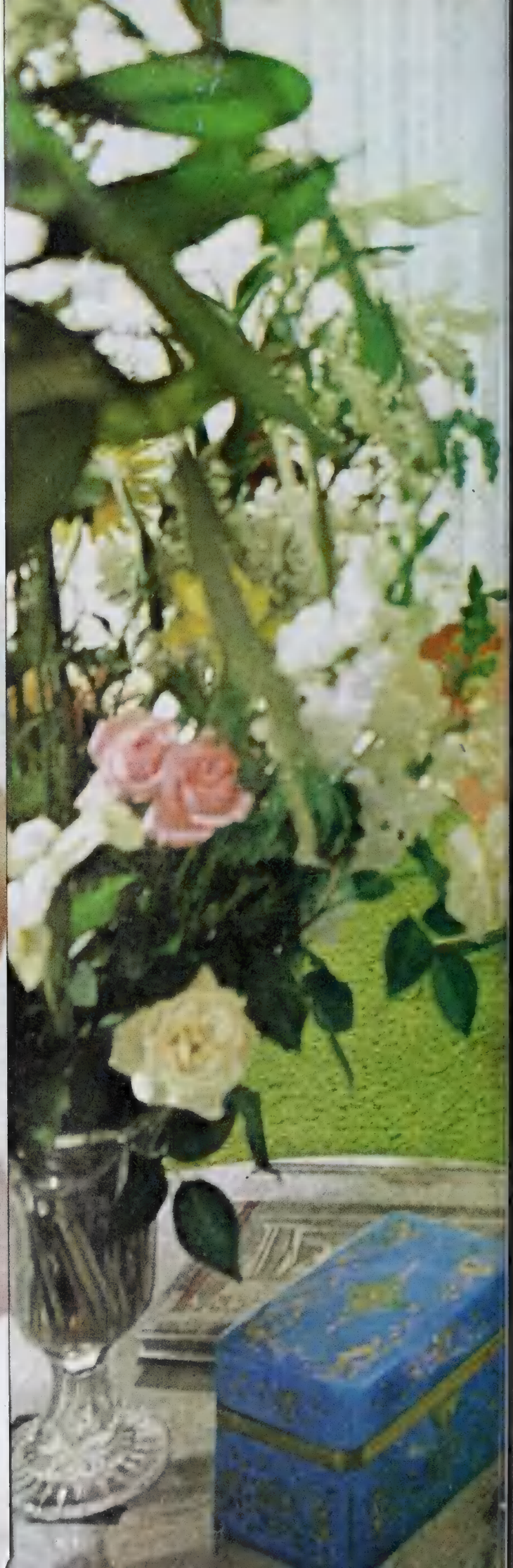
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JOHN GARETTI

Three different refreshing ideas are represented in the gathering above, each product a member of Estée Lauder's new bath collection called Azurée. All, like the bath on page 111, datelined Today.

The spa treatment idea spurred the development of the Naturally-Scented series. European Mineral Bath Salts yield, in warm running water, a breath of sea air. Mint Pick-up Bath, a bubble bath full of skin-smoothing oils, has a tang reminiscent of crushed fresh mint leaves. Rising from softening moisturizing Tender Creme Bath, the nice cleanly forest fragrance of birch, slight and pleasurable.

A hush-hush idea runs through the Lightly-Scented series. Everything in it, from the bubbling Fresh Milk Bath, Body Satin Rub, and Sparkling Friction Lotion to the dusting powders in cake or spray-on form, has just enough delicate fragrance to bring a little plus of delight. Enough for conscious enjoyment of soothing, smoothing, tension-relieving processes, but not enough to conflict with whatever cologne or perfume is put on after the bath.

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THOMAS LA MORTE

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By John H. Ingersoll

How to make remodeling easier

Six suggestions for eliminating the minor irritations that often arise during remodeling, and, incidentally, avoiding tangles that could lead to a lawsuit

A husband and wife in Virginia have stopped speaking to the contractor who added a bedroom and bath to their house. Nothing remains between them but bad feelings and two hotly disputed bills. Problems other than money helped abrade the initial good working relationship: little things that mounted up, like carpenters who used crude language; masons who disappeared for two-hour lunch breaks, and bathroom tile delivered in the wrong color.

At the opposite end of the scale, a banking executive in Chicago recently bought and remodeled a 65-year-old house located north of the city. He and his wife and three children moved in a month ago, and are exuberant. They can't recommend the contractor highly enough.

Now, what can you do to steer toward situation "B" and avoid situation "A", if you're planning changes in your house? Is it really possible to pass through a lengthy renovation without stirring up friction between you and the professionals responsible for the job?

Of course, the answer is yes. Hundreds of thousands of homeowners have maneuvered their way through major remodelings smoothly. But the fact that some jobs do work out badly—one or two you may know about, in fact—is reason enough to spend some time finding out what makes a good job good.

Locating responsible craftsmen is an essential ingredient—not an earth-shaking revelation, but below you'll discover how best to find them. Just as important—and keep this in mind as you read through the advice here—is your own attitude. If you've been stung once by bad workmanship or know close friends who had a bitter experience remodeling their home, it's natural enough for you to be wary. But try not to let your caution turn to distrust. Like a teacher constantly hovering over a pupil during an examination, an owner who is forever badgering everyone on the job with challenging questions can soon cause enough irritation to start a brouhaha with the contractor. The secret is: Find the right man; then give him enough of a free hand to do the job the way he knows how.

There are six ingredients, six parcels of advice that should get you into and out of a remodeling project with the least frustration; the most satisfaction.

1. Hire an architect

While no one expects you to commission an architect to plan a reroofing or advise you on having a sump pump installed in the basement, it is very much to your benefit to employ an architect's professional skills before you alter your house. That includes changes from a simple redesign of a bath to the addition of a large wing to your house.

Why? For three practical reasons.

First, he can save you money. That may seem surprising. Many people who have never dealt with an architect regard his commission as icing on the cake—an extra they can't afford. The truth is, this professional could easily design a bath/bedroom/dressing-room addition for a price, including his commission, of $1,000 less than the contractor's quotation for doing the work without the architect. How can this be? Because the contractor, by the nature of his business, is more concerned with the physical aspects of putting together materials. He's hard pressed to do the job in a similar or the same way he's always done it. Using this approach, he knows his costs, and can control the job

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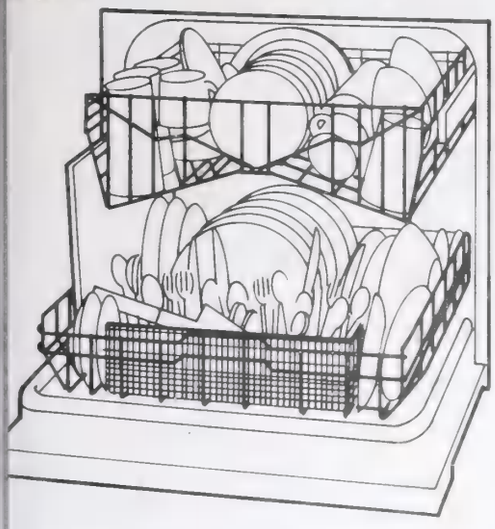
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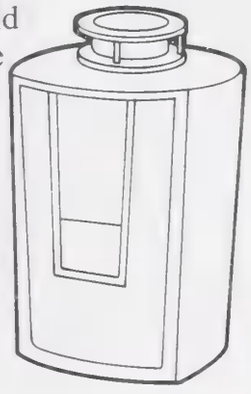


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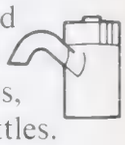
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better. But as a result, you may not be getting the most efficient, least costly addition.

Design is the architect's first line of attack. For one set of needs described to him, he may have a dozen solutions. If keeping the cost low is your aim, he will select a spatial arrangement that provides you with maximum fulfillment at minimum expenditure. One dramatic case history to illustrate the point: A well-to-do family bought a 50-year-old house on Long Island. The structure was badly in need of repair, and the contractor called in to give them an estimate recommended gutting the interior and starting over. He told them the cost would probably be around $70,000. Able to pay, but dissatisfied with the idea, the family engaged an architect to try his hand. He saw a great deal of charm in the old house; suggested a few basic changes and some necessary updating. They liked his plan, went ahead, and finished the renovation for under $14,000.

The second practical reason for hiring an architect is implicit in the first. You are more likely to get a finished alteration that comes closer to what you really want, in terms of esthetics and space that functions well for *you*.

Third, you gain professional supervision over the job. The architect will be on hand to make sure reinforcing goes into the concrete if it's specified, and see that you get the amount of insulation you paid for—in the right place, and so on. He'll also act as your agent. If a disagreement with the contractor arises—and some are inevitable—the architect negotiates with the contractor for you.

In addition, an experienced residential architect will know where to locate the best contractors. This relieves you of the uncertainty of finding and hiring a contractor on your own.

Architects willing to take on residential remodeling are generally those who already specialize in residential work. Often you'll find them practicing on their own, or with one, possibly two, partners. Ask your friends for the name of someone who has designed a home for them, or call for recommendations at the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects. If you find there isn't a chapter nearby, write the national office for the address of the one closest to you. (American Institute of Architects, 1735 New York Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.)

On the average, today an architect's fee for remodeling is 15 percent of the construction cost. However, we found several architects who were charging as little as 12 percent, and one or two who commanded a 20-percent commission. The size of the contract bears on the percentage to some degree. A man who ordinarily charges 15 percent might lower his fee if the cost of the remodeling were between $25,000 and $30,000. At the other extreme, an architect who takes on a small pantry alternation that is going to cost, say, $1,500 may charge for his services by the hour. Hourly rates fall in the area of $15 to $20, as a rule.

Many of these architects also are willing to offer consultation, nearly always on the basis of an hourly fee. What consultation? Well, suppose you plan to buy an older house and want to know how it can be remodeled. Or you might seek only suggestions (instead of working drawings and supervision) for an alteration in your present house. An architect can help you.

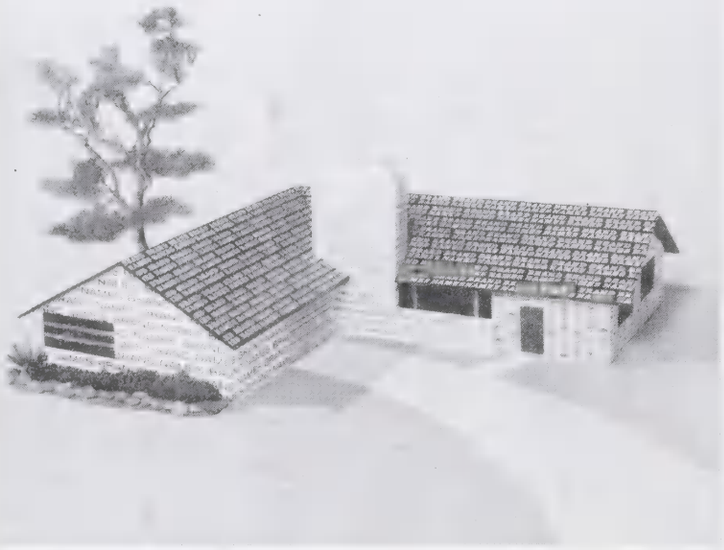
2. Hire the best (not the cheapest) contractor

Make it known to your architect that you want good workmanship and as little mess as possible. Generally, he'll assume that you do, but telling him won't hurt. Certainly, if you insist on managing a major remodeling without architectural help, the advice above is vital. A second-rate remodeler may give you worse than second-rate craftsmanship.

In fact, finding a competent remodeler tends to eliminate many of the thorny problems likely to turn up during a remodeling—for example, inexcusable delays, or work done not according to specifications.

How do you find him? By not rushing. Once you've decided you need a new dining room, it's human to want it built as soon as possible. But contain yourself long enough to investigate the credentials of each remodeler.

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Begin by asking your friends for recommendations. If you're new in the community, call the Chamber of Commerce for the names of several contractors. Then, before phoning the first one, check each out with the Better Business Bureau. BBB personnel can tell you if complaints have been filed against the company, and whether these complaints were settled to the customer's satisfaction. Unfortunately, bureaus won't disclose much more, nor will they recommend anyone. But it's some help.

Next, take an afternoon off and drive around to see their places of business. Don't expect a glamorous showroom, although some remodelers have them. But do expect a permanent office and some evidence of business stability: relatively new trucks, ladders and scaffolding, perhaps a workshop and a small amount of inventory, tools, and so on. While you shouldn't categorically eliminate a man who works out of his home, the chances are that he (a) represents a firm some distance from town; (b) is "moonlighting"; or (c) just starting out on his own. Any one of these conditions involves a risk on your part.

Select at least two, and no more than three of the firms you've appraised, and ask them to send someone around to make an estimate on the work. Let each firm know you're asking others for bids. A seasoned contractor expects to bid competitively, and it's certainly very much to your benefit, since there's going to be less inclination to "pad" the estimate.

At this juncture, once again you'll discover that an architect can be very helpful. When he lets your bids, he does so on a fixed set of plans and specifications. Each contractor must give his estimate based on the same set. Naturally, this makes judging the bids easier.

Letting bids on your own, you'll need to have a reasonably firm idea of what you want, so that each company can bid on essentially the same factors—or you must carefully assay the differences. For example, Contractor A might suggest custom cabinets for the kitchen and submit an estimate with high-quality cabinets included. Then Contractor B offers you stock cabinets with the comment, "Why pay more? Those other cabinets aren't going to hold more."

Finally, before you select your man, ask for the names of owners for whom he's done work in the past. (One contractor we talked to said he invited prospects to take from his office files, the names of *any* past customers as a reference!) Then follow through. Call these owners. Ask them if they were completely satisfied with the work, before, during, and after. And without imposing, try to go out and look at the workmanship on one or two.

After all this, should you accept the lowest bid? Not necessarily. If the care and precision with which one of the contractors presents his case impresses you greatly and you are convinced of his sense of fair play and honesty, follow your impulse and hire him. You may pay a little more, but you'll probably get a lot more.

3. Anticipate higher prices

An Atlanta homeowner was shocked and angered at the "bloated bid" for remodeling his kitchen. Three years ago, a neighbor of his had his kitchen updated for $3,800. But the lowest bid to him was $4,500. When he finally cooled off, the contractor explained to him that (1) the jobs weren't exactly the same, and (2) prices for material and labor have gone up. Accept the fact now that item 2 is true where you live, as well. Three years ago, the average kitchen remodeling ran around $2,500. Today, it's $3,000. The average bathroom updating fell in the neighborhood of $1,800. Today, it's closer to $2,500.

Softening this news somewhat is the fact that money for remodeling is still relatively easy to find, despite a stiffening money market. Home-improvement loans—the bank's own plans—generally stretch to $7,000, sometimes to $10,000. Loans for smaller sums are going through with even more facility. Larger amounts are arranged ordinarily by refinancing your mortgage. With mortgage money harder to find, this, unfortunately, is not so sim-

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ple to do in most areas. But don't give up without trying.

4. Avoid mid-job changes

As in selling, or baking a cake, or building a hi-fi cabinet, good planning is one of the most important keys to good remodeling. If you study the plans, and make certain you understand exactly what is going to be done, and spend enough time selecting the kind, pattern, and color of materials you want, you won't need to make sudden changes after the work begins. For example, you won't have to alter the plan because you failed to ask the architect or contractor to explain a portion of the blueprint you couldn't fathom. Always ask. Some people peer at a closet on the drawings, and appreciate the new storage space it will provide. But once in place, they suddenly exclaim, "Oh, I didn't want the door to open that way!" or "Can't you make it just a foot wider. I'll never get my winter storage bags in there as it is." These are needs that should have been satisfied in the planning stage.

This advice is given to save you money. Changes cost money. In fact, they cost considerably more, as a rule, then the same jog in the wall, extra space in closets, whatever, when planned and built without changes.

That isn't to say you should never change your mind. Some post-construction alterations are perfectly reasonable. After a wall has been painted, you may decide the tone is a shade too light. A new coat is justifiable, even though it will cost you more in labor and material.

Whenever you order a change, for whatever reason, always go to the architect, or to the contractor-supervisor if you haven't engaged an architect. Discuss the change sufficiently to make sure you both understand what's to be done. Get an estimate for this new work. Then have the facts and price put in writing—a slip simply called a change order—and both you and the architect or supervisor sign it. Once done, there's little chance for misunderstanding. Changes settled verbally with assurances like "it won't cost much more" probably lead to more ill will than any other single quirk in the business of remodeling.

And a final note. You would, and should, be furious if the contractor, once the job has begun, tries to pad his profits by substituting inferior materials, or skipping an important but behind-the-wall and out-of-sight construction step. On the other side of the coin, the contractor is rightly angry when an owner asks workmen on the job to make changes, or "While you're here, you wouldn't mind fixing the railing in the basement, would you?" Always deal with the man in charge.

5. Expect to camp out a little

Almost every major remodeling stirs up chaos during construction. When you're living in the middle of it, your life is bound to be upset. But like spring cleaning, the mess during is more than offset by the pleasure following. The magic word is: Relax. One Kansas family whose kitchen was torn up for a week bought a butane-fed camper stove and ate a hot meal every night. They were so charmed by the portable stove they've used it since on three camping trips—a vacation style no one in the family had tried before, and now all enjoy.

Some families solve the problem with a trip to Europe during construction. On a smaller scale, dinners out, or a weekend away from the house help relieve the effects of scrambled living.

If work is scheduled in a room where treasured furniture stands, naturally you'll want to protect it from accidental damage. Some families simply move their best pieces to another room, out of the way. Others feel strongly enough to put the furniture in temporary storage.

6. Be flexible about some delays

A contract that calls for completion "on or about August 15" means the contractor, from past experience, is anticipating potential delays over which he has little or no control. They do happen occasionally: bad weather, a sudden strike, a manufacturer's stock temporarily depleted. If the contractor is sincere in his effort to push the job along as fast as possible, don't nag him over unexpected hold-ups. But do expect a clear explanation. When you're given alibis instead of explanations, then you can get tough.

Finally, when the job's completed, be sure you're content with everything (including clean-up) before making payment or signing the bank or FHA completion certificate. ■

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Where did the bedroom go?

A writer and his wife find that a minor change in a small house sets off a chain reaction of remodeling that affects nearly every room

You might say a remodeling project is like what I imagine are symptoms—the pain and pride—of giving birth to quintuplets, to use a nice round number. Here's how ours is going (it's not finished yet—may never be).

First: With the children gone, we were lost in a 3200-square-foot mountainside home with a huge yard, huge landscaping upkeep problems, and taxes that wouldn't quit on space we couldn't use.

Solution: Buy a small cabaña. We found it—only 1400 square feet, two bedrooms—and it seemed ideal. We knew the single garage built into the house would have to be replaced with a double garage; and eventually, at our leisure, we could convert the old garage into a recreation room.

We bought the cabaña in this rosy haze of simple remodeling plans, only one part of which has—or ever will—come true, but dozens of other phases have been added. In fact, there are more phases ahead of us now than when we started.

Only average-handy with tools, and the house being hip-roofed, requiring complex double angles for a matching garage attachment, I called on a contractor for this phase. It was a shock to learn concrete curbs and walks were $1 a running foot and a concrete slab 50 cents a square foot. Tedious investigation disclosed that the contractor, a real jewel, was quoting me his exact cost on this expensive part of the project—and his cost was less than that of the local ready-mix concrete company.

The $2,600 we finally settled on left me with the siding to buy, apply, and paint, plus the 16-foot overhead door. Financing? This took $1,000—the remainder of our old house sale profit—plus a $1,000 life insurance loan (low interest). The rest came out of current earnings. Since then, the project has been paid out of earnings at the rate of $100 to $200 a month; my wife has gone back to work, of course; my old fishing/ski boat hasn't been replaced, and we're driving vintage cars.

But back to the project: Adding the garage eliminated the old parking area, which was already overcrowded.

Next step was to hire a bulldozer for a day ($80). The "front" yard—120 feet to the street and 56 feet wide—was wiped out with a turnaround circling a small rock-ribbed island in the center, and another dirt mountain for shrubbery at the street. The estimated 50 yards of gravel became 76, but the new driveway turnaround works.

Then, the new bedroom (originally the "rec room" in the old garage) couldn't wait. The house was just too small after the much larger spaces we were accustomed to. This brought on a steady stream of delivery trucks, plumber trucks, and electrician trucks, all trying to wear out the new driveway.

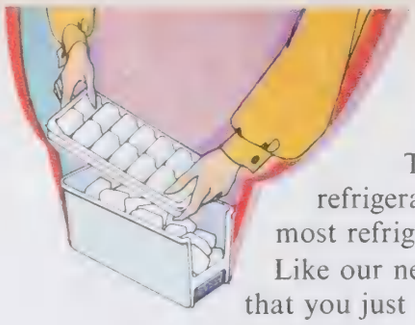
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Two cut fingers and numerous bruises later, floor joists and plywood subfloor were in place above the garage floor to the level of the house floors, which are built above a crawl space. The partition dividing the new bedroom and the furnace room was framed in. Then Mary had an idea—first symptom of a serious remodeling disease in wives.

Why not make the furnace room into a utility room? All I had to do was reverse plumbing and wiring from the utility room.

While the plumber was here ($274, but later expanded), why not install a wash basin in a built-in vanity—a surprise addition on the adjacent wall of the new bedroom?

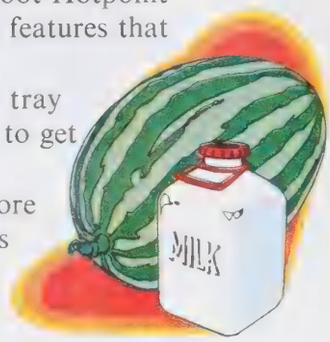
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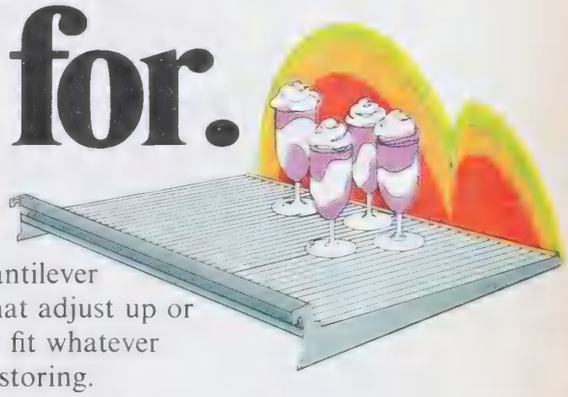
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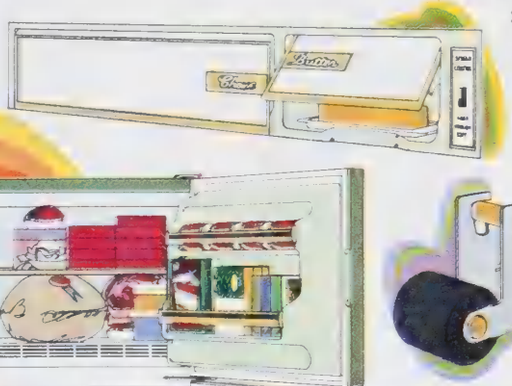


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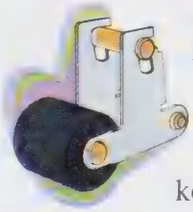
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The vanity requires splitting one of the 8-by-2½-foot closets built across two-thirds of each end wall of the new bedroom into two four-foot closets. Done.

I optimistically thought the old 10-by-12 utility room was to be a dining area that would at least get the dining furniture out of a somewhat crowded living room. Not so.

The old utility room would be an ideal family room to take the TV set out of the living room.

This required removing the undercounter hot-water heater in a corner of the old utility room. It was seven years past the ten-year warranty anyway and a potential danger, and its 30-gallon capacity didn't take care of the automatic washer—and the new dishwasher that had sneaked into the kitchen in the interim in a minor undercounter carpentry and plumbing job, plus additional outlets.

The 17-year-old oil furnace developed compressor problems, and the company doesn't make parts any more for such old models—a big, national firm, too. Best estimate for a new furnace and water heater: $650 for a gas installation, since we were afraid now of the old oil tank, but the gas company offered three percent (discount) financing for ten years and we were off the hook—except that to get the low-low gas rate we had to have a third appliance.

Cheap appliances cost money

Cheapest appliance, it turned out, was a Roman torch that would replace the kerosene Tiki torches shoved into the ground beside the patio. Its price was only $19.95. The pipe to run it to the patio cost another $40, of course, and Mary suddenly dreamed of how nice it would be to have a permanent barbecue wrapped around the new torch.

The old garage window in the utility room had to be hinged at the top and an inside screen built—by hand, since it was an odd size. That room is now completed!

Somewhat ahead of this, the drywall contractor was called in to replace sagging do-it-yourself wallboard on the ceiling of the new bedroom, plus the job of covering the bare studs on the outside wall around the two new double-hung windows—a project in itself.

Wallboarding the bedroom, with acoustical sprayed ceiling and textured walls, was only $150—plus $50 to do the firewall for the new garage to meet the code, plus $35 to redo a wall on what was to be the new utility room.

I asked my wife why she didn't want the new family room for a dining area. She had this planned, I found. The former front bedroom was just across the hall from the kitchen and closer than the old dining area in the living room. All that was needed was to build a buffet, with doors and shelves above, along one wall, then wainscot the walls in walnut plywood to match the dining-room furniture.

This was a relief, to some extent, since it eliminated the former idea I had been ignoring, of cutting a hole between the kitchen and dining area for glass, pass-through cupboards for the antique glassware and dishes.

Sadly, I had already taken down the conventional flush door between the kitchen eating area and the dining area to replace them with swingfold doors that wouldn't block the glass pass-through. Now the stereo must go on that wall and the doors swing two inches too wide—but I can remount them on the opposite side, where the piano will go.

The house is really beginning to shape up, except that I have just found that Mary doesn't like the plain fireplace on the 26-foot wall of the living room, and she "must" have a mantel. It probably will be a big chunk of cypress with some cypress paneling briefly on each side. This means a spot of cypress on the opposite wall "just to make the odd angles of the living room straighten out to look like a larger room."

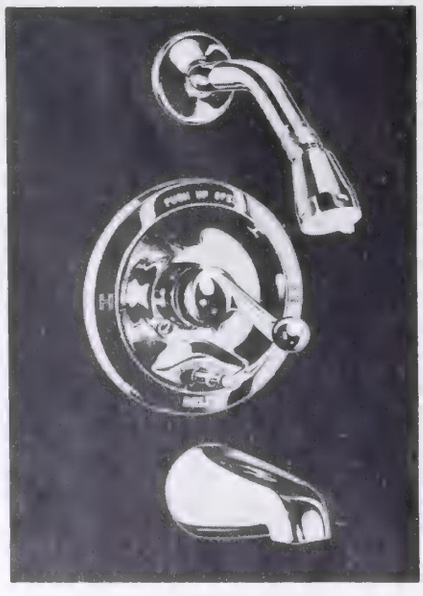
Busy times ahead

As it now appears next winter will be busy, since the project to date has made the kitchen look terrible by comparison—and the broken-tile countertop in the new bedroom built-in vanity has inspired a tile idea for all the kitchen drainboards and built-in wifely desk. The new tile (covered by a rug) must be carried into the kitchen, too.

Dinner news last night was that the metal medicine chest in the master bath is an abomination

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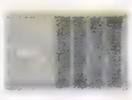
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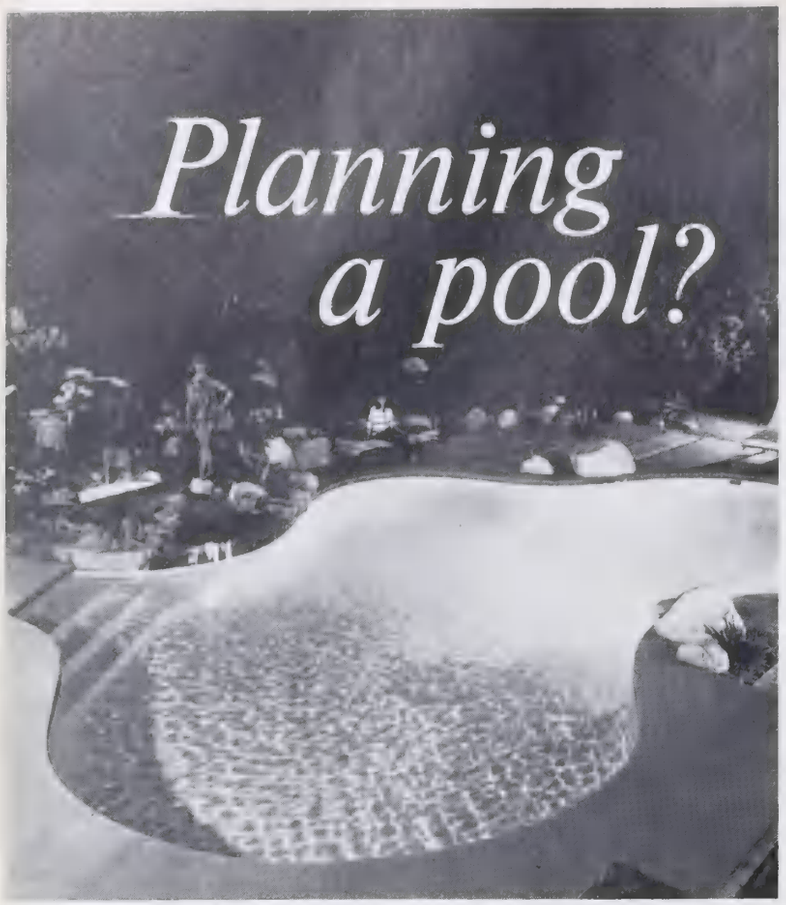
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and there "is plenty of room to build a nice cabinet above the vanity counter."

This was no real shock, naturally, since we already had discussed removing the drawers and closet shelves in what was designed as a shower stall in the master bath, but which apparently was never used as such. I hate the tub/shower combination anyway. The linoleum is the same as the old floor covering in the kitchen, but Mary hasn't mentioned that—yet.

The project would have gone faster, except that in the interim I had to brick the edges of some flower beds, and scalp some lawn along the rockery for a graveled pathway to eliminate traffic damage to the lawn. Thank goodness there are high-school boys in the neighborhood willing to weed on weekends.

Hurrah—vacation time!

There's more to this, but I have to leave now for the first week of my vacation. It will take about that long to build the carports on each side of the new garage, since there is no other place for the pool table, and during the winter the boat on its trailer has to be inside and ready to head for the river on a moment's notice in case the fish start running.

This leaves the second week of my vacation completely free except for painting the house. Thank goodness it's hip-roofed and there are no gable ends, and one coat, after cleaning and some patching, will do the job.

There is one basic overall fact that applies to every phase: nothing was done to "unfit" one part of the house from the other. When completed, the house will be much larger, completely comfortable, won't look like a remodeling hodgepodge, and if we sell it eventually (hopefully not) it will be a highly marketable three-bedroom home with a double garage and two carports. The fact that the garage will be ideal for rainy-day parties won't hurt.

Net cost will be about $5,000, and added real value on the market will be about $10,000. As an ex-Realtor, I felt that guesstimate should be close.

Even that knotty cedar wall paneling now going on the inside wall of the new bedroom looks better than we expected, although it was an afterthought because Mary wanted cedar in the closets.

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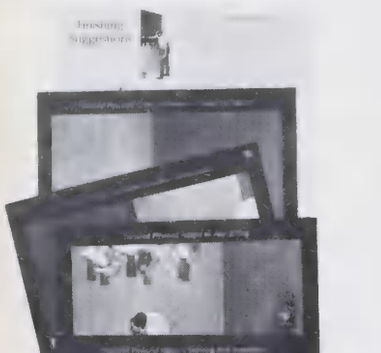
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What a new kitchen meant to one wife-cook

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The decision to rip out and redo an adequate, functioning kitchen comes hard. Husbands are skeptical, and children's routines are disrupted. Only housewives know the morale uplift and the real, everyday difference an attractive, well-designed kitchen makes in their lives.

The Lloyd Shearers, whose kitchen appears on pages 104-105, waited six years beyond a projected remodeling date. They waited until the last two children had finished high school, until the weather was mild, and until they had thoroughly plotted their needs and desires, based on plenty of past experience.

They hired a woman architect, Edla Muir, who was sympathetic to their problem (most men architects shun minor remodeling, kitchens in particular) and who didn't immediately speak in terms of demolition, addition, and modernization. Rather, she redesigned the work space within the outlines of the old kitchen.

Miss Muir did remove one purposeless partition between the kitchen and a butler's pantry, thus allowing for a continuous run of counter and cooking top. She shifted and added cabinets, so that 27 more feet of easy-to-see storage and 66 feet of shallow shelves were gained. An old-fashioned, narrow vegetable cooler and a small, unlighted closet were exchanged for a walk-in pantry with floor-to-ceiling shelves. Awkward, inaccessible cupboard shelves were changed into deep drawers, upright files, or hanging storage, so that cooking utensils can be easily seen and located where they're used. And she rearranged the appliances so that there is now a sequence of preparing-serving-cleanup that is logical for a "helpless" housewife.

Meals in record time

The meal-preparation sequence starts, of course, with food shopping. A station wagon full of groceries can now be unloaded in record time via the handy new pass-through (see plan, page 104). The fresh fruit and vegetables are rinsed at the sink and, with other perishables, are moved along the counter to the refrigerator. Other foods are placed in the pantry or in ventilated drawers for "root" vegetables, bread, and pasta.

When the actual cooking begins, the direction is reversed. Food comes out of storage, is cleaned or prepared at the double sink, then moved to the twin ovens or cooktops. Meanwhile, dinner plates are set under the food warmer on the wide marble counter. As food is ready for serving, it, too, goes on the warming counter ready to be carried into the dining room.

Coffee service and dessert plates are set out on the counter that wraps around the former division between kitchen and butler's pantry. Meals flow easily and effortlessly from one stage to another and back again. Cleanup proceeds along the wall opposite the serving sequence. It is ultimately concentrated in one corner of the kitchen near the sink, dishwasher, and trash bin, where cleanup can be accomplished with few steps and little time.

Personalized planning

This orderly arrangement seems obvious and uncontroversial, but it evolved only after earnest consideration of other possibilities. A cooking island, peninsula sink, permanent snack bar, indoor barbecue, and other tempting innovations were discussed and discarded because Mrs. Shearer knew her own cooking habits best.

The particular features that she did insist on, however, were windows in every direction to give her (1) natural light over the sink and stove, and (2) a view of the tennis court, driveway, and patio while she's working. She also wanted the same wood cabinetwork of sand-blasted pine that had proved maintenance-free in their library.

With the bleached wood finish she combined a terra-cotta laminate counter, terra-cotta linoleum flooring, and a washable vinyl wallpaper of black, white, and terra cotta, all in keeping with the rest of the California Spanish house.

"And one of the extra benefits," said Mrs. Shearer, "is throwing away those clippings of other women's kitchens. I have my own." ■

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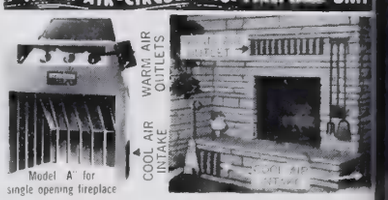
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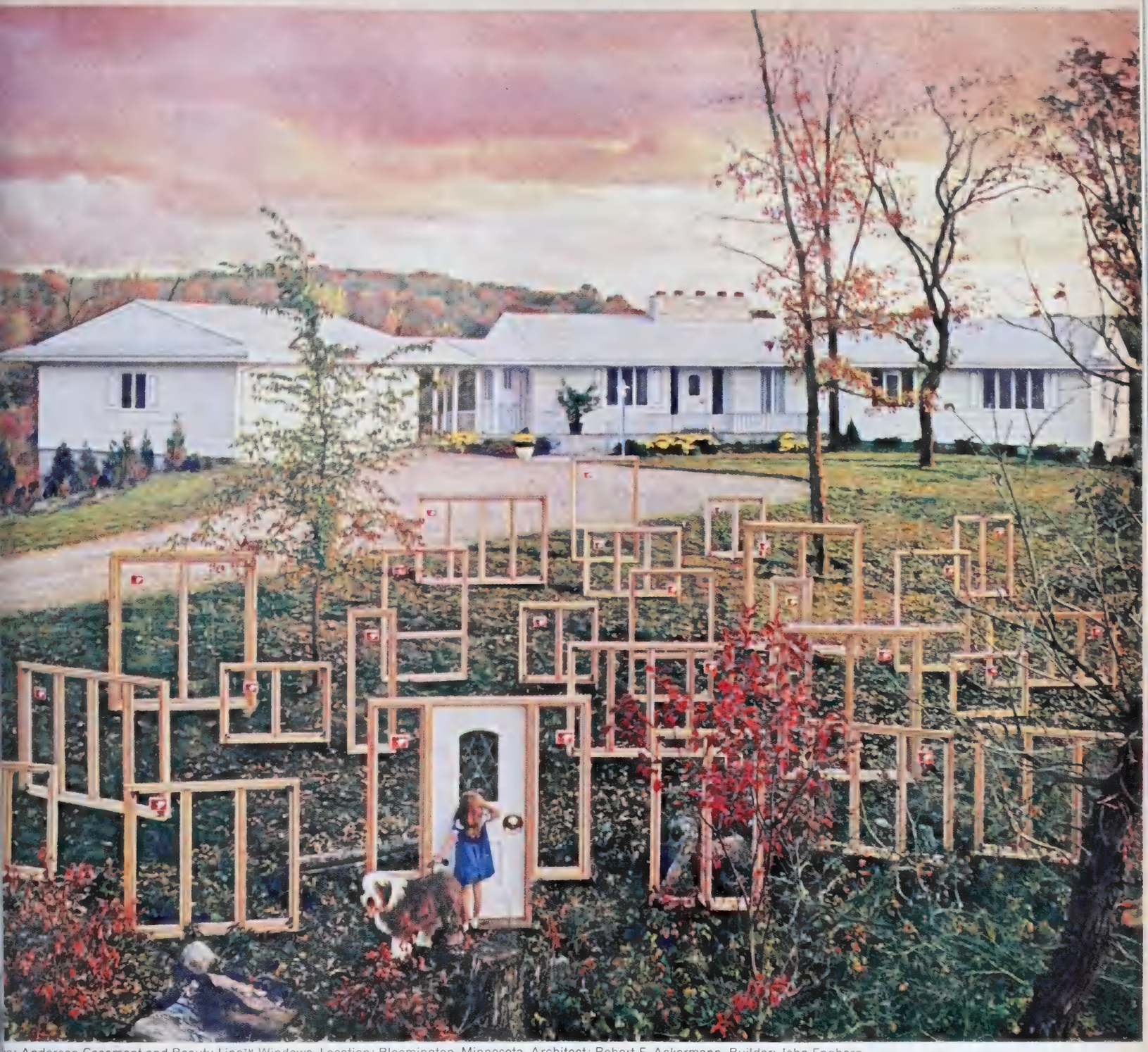
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New ways and new products to better your home: a current report by House Beautiful's Building Editor

New "antique" wood floor

"'Tis a puzzlement," said the king in *The King and I*. That's what it seems when you try to replace a beautiful, old, but terribly worn wood plank floor in a vintage house. Put down bright, new strip flooring, and the mood of the old house is changed. Try to find something to match the antique beauty of the old floors, and you run up against a stone wall—until now.

Within the last few months, E. L. Bruce has begun marketing what I regard as one of the most attractive replicas of genuine, random-width plank flooring I've seen. The planks are prefinished in a dark tone, somewhere between a deep American walnut and ebony. Before staining and finishing, the wood is wire-brushed to accentuate the distinctive oak graining. There are even wrought-head, cut nails (the old-fashioned rectangular-head nails) packed with the planks. The nails easily slip into predrilled holes, so there's no chance to mar the finish. You can buy combinations of 3"-, 5"-, and 7"-wide planks, or 4"-, 6"-, and 8"-wide members.

Its name: Bruce Old English Plank. Officials of the company tell me the installed price will probably run around $2.25 to $2.50 a square foot. Since the flooring is very new, you may not be able to obtain it right away locally. If that happens, write E. L. Bruce Co., 1648 Thomas St., Memphis, Tenn. 38101, for other sources.

Laborsaving shingle

Any time a product development leads to savings in labor, it's news. Labor is the big expense in building today (see "Ideas to Build on," May, 1969). The news: Bird & Son has produced the first "no cut-out" asphalt shingle. That needs a little explaining. The shingle most roofers have used in the last two decades is 36" wide, divided twice by slim, U-shape cuts, and by a one-half cut at each end of the shingle. The center cuts help simulate individual shingles, as do the end half-cuts when they butt against the next shingle, with its half-cut. The new Bird shingle simulates the same division with a dark indentation on the shingle face. A roof covered with these shingles appears cleaner, more monolithic.

But the biggest advantage is a significant saving in time and materials. A Bird executive told me the company filmed a no-tricks competition between two roofers—one applying the old cut shingles, the other using new no-cut shingles. He said the second man was so far ahead of the first, they had to reshoot the sequence, insisting that the man putting down new shingles slow his pace. Otherwise, they felt the dealers for whom the film was being made wouldn't believe it.

One would hope that the roofer who uses these new shingles on your roof will pass along to you the savings he gains. For more information, write Bird & Son, East Walpole, Mass. 02032.

Remodeling centers

Lumber yards have always been the first place most people go to buy material for a remodeling project, large or small. In some areas, progressive lumber dealers and remodeling contractors have opened more elaborate centers in which displays of whole kitchens and baths are mounted. Now, in Houston, J. C. Penney has taken the next logical step—erection of a home-improvement supermarket. In it are whole-room mock-ups, plus an array of roofing, plumbing, heating, air conditioning, bath and kitchen equipment, most of which is available for immediate delivery. Also included: a booth manned by people who can give sensible advice on remodeling.

At about the same time, Penney's opened home-improvement departments in its existing Phoe-

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nix, Denver, and Jacksonville stores. If these all succeed, you can look for improvement centers opening up in the Penney store nearest you (followed, no doubt, by centers operated by competing chains).

Long-lasting caulk

Like to reseal the joint between frame and window this year, and forget it? General Electric is the first out with a 12-oz. cartridge (the standard caulking gun size) of silicone-rubber adhesive/sealant. It's the same Silicone Seal the company has been selling in smaller containers. For the cartridge, the company packs the caulking in white and clear.

Aside from handling normal door- and window-caulking tasks, this material can seal a rain gutter or roof flashing, and repair the caulking lines on a boat. According to GE, the sealant bonds to glass, metal, wood, masonry—even fabrics—and withstands temperatures from −65° to 500° without drying out or losing its bonding strength.

For something a little better, you pay more. Some of the old oil caulks cost less than a dollar for a cartridge. Silicone Seal in the 12-oz. size runs $5; will spread a ribbon approximately 25′ long, enough to go most of the way around two standard-size double-hung windows. Should be available now in hardware and building-material outlets.

Shingles ahoy!

What is covered with red cedar shingles, and floats? In this case, below, a good departure in houseboat design conceived by two University of British Columbia architectural students. Built over an existing raft, the structure proved easy to assemble and low in cost. Translucent plastic skylights keep the quarters cheery and bright, while the shingle surround makes these spaces (there are two rooms) quite private. The men named their watery home "The Musing Place."

Spray on the oil

Many years ago, I remember buying 3-In-One Oil in the small can with the thin spout to take out the squeaks in my bike. If you've watched hardware shelves lately, you may have noticed that this fine old product has turned up in some very useful new forms. For example, spray cans. Not that they've done away with the conventional can. But I find the spray tends to stick to what I'm oiling better than the squirt of oil from the regular can. And they've added penetrating oil and a dry lubricant to the aerosol spray collection. All manufactured by Boyle-Midway, the same people who make Plastic Wood.

A collector's gem?

Would you believe that people are scrambling to locate vintage pull-chain toilets to put into their *new* bathrooms? It's happening in Berkeley, Calif., according to Ross Benton, owner of University Plumbing & Hardware there. He says he's paying $150 for one of these quaint contraptions in working condition, and, even at that price, he can't locate

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Messless staining

Writing with a felt-tip pen is a pleasure after struggling with ball tips that don't work and fountain pens that leak. Why not stain with a felt tip? Well, someone has already thought of it, and they've named the result the Dandy Dauber. Easily hand-held, the can contains two ounces of stain—enough to cover approximately ten square feet of unfinished wood. You simply remove the cap, tip up the can, and daub on the stain. Put this in the category of a small project aid—for a picture frame, chair rail, or model boat, and you could keep it handy to touch up larger jobs. Six wood tones are available: fruitwood, mahogany, cherry, maple, and two shades of walnut.

Suggested price is about $1.20 per can. Once the stain is dry, you must apply a clear finish (as we explained in "Preserve the Glow of Wood" in May, 1969). You ought to find these cans in local hardware and paint stores. In case you don't, write to the maker, Deft, Inc., 612 Maple, Torrance, Calif. 90503.

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Time for new screens?

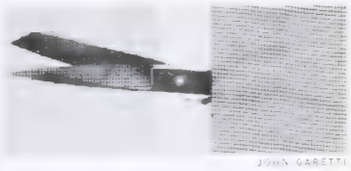
By now, the insects have begun their summer drone. Good reason to check your present screening for wear. If you judge the time ripe for buying new screening, here are a few tips on what's available.

Copper and bronze screening—oldest materials in use—are still sold in most hardware and building-material outlets. Yet, you might be interested to know that aluminum screening now accounts for around 85 percent of all screen sales. Then, there's fiber glass, a relative newcomer with some solid merits.

And some variations: You can buy aluminum screening coated with an acrylic in gray (easy to see through) or green (cool and attractive). Also available: an aluminum shading screen that is said to turn back a considerable portion of the sun's heat, something that could be perfect for a poolhouse, gazebo, or porch.

Fiber-glass screening, according to a basic supplier, Owens-Corning, also is produced in attractive colors: gray, green, aqua, and charcoal. And a sun screen is produced in this material, too. There is even a wind screen: fiber-glass mesh covered with a solid but clear plastic sheet, sufficiently thin to be flexible. Installed on the windy side of a screened porch, it would blend quite well with standard screening on the other three sides.

Minor holes or cuts in either fiber-glass or aluminum screening are easy to repair.—J.H.I.



JOHN GARETTI

Scissors illustrate the near-clear view through gray-toned, fiber-glass screening, left, and the opaque quality of the matching wind screen, right.



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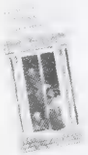
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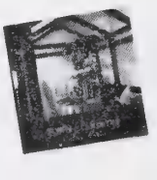
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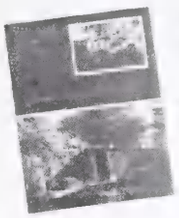
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By Julie Polshek

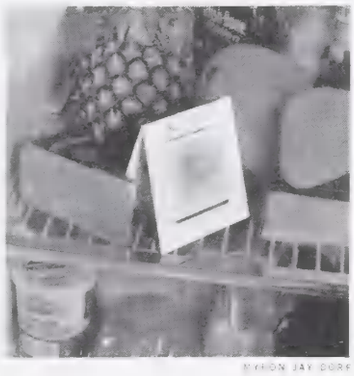


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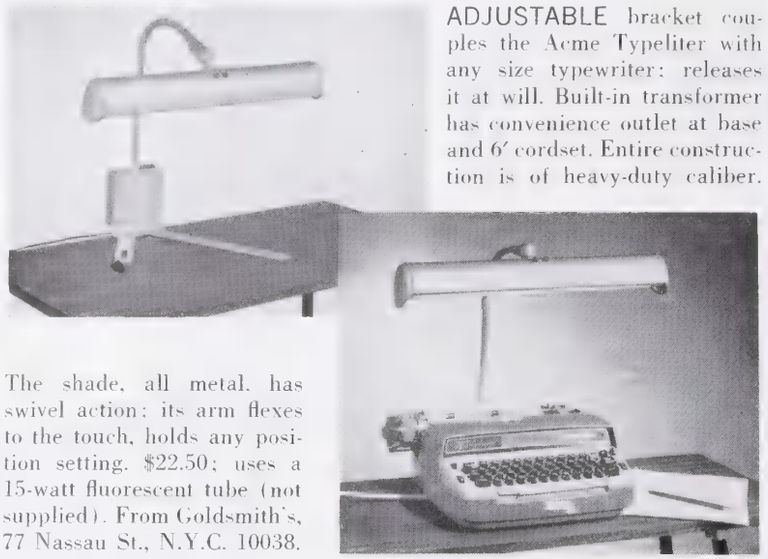
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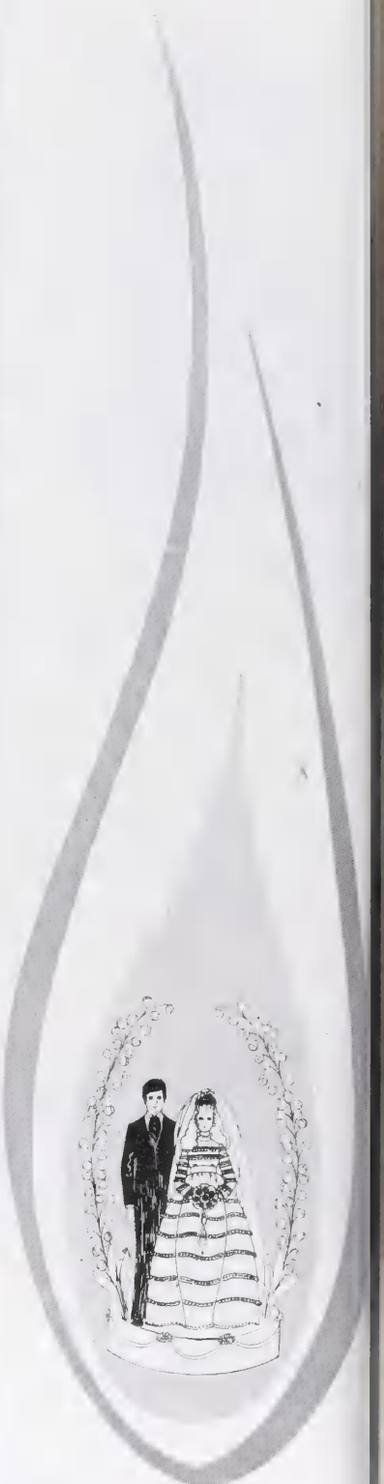
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By Helen McCully

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How long will fresh sweet cherries keep?

If placed in a polyethylene bag with a number of small holes punched into it with any small, sharp instrument, cherry experts tell us they will stay fresh, crisp, and delicious for two to three weeks under normal refrigerator temperatures. From the end of May through July is cherry time.

What is a monteith?

Also sometimes spelled monteigh—apparently named after a Monsieur Monteigh, says The Oxford English Dictionary—it is a punch bowl with a scalloped brim. It is also used for cooling and rinsing wine glasses. Usually of silver, although it was recently seen in The East Side House Winter Antiques Show, in New York's 7th Regiment Armory, in export china.

What is Potage Billi-Bi?

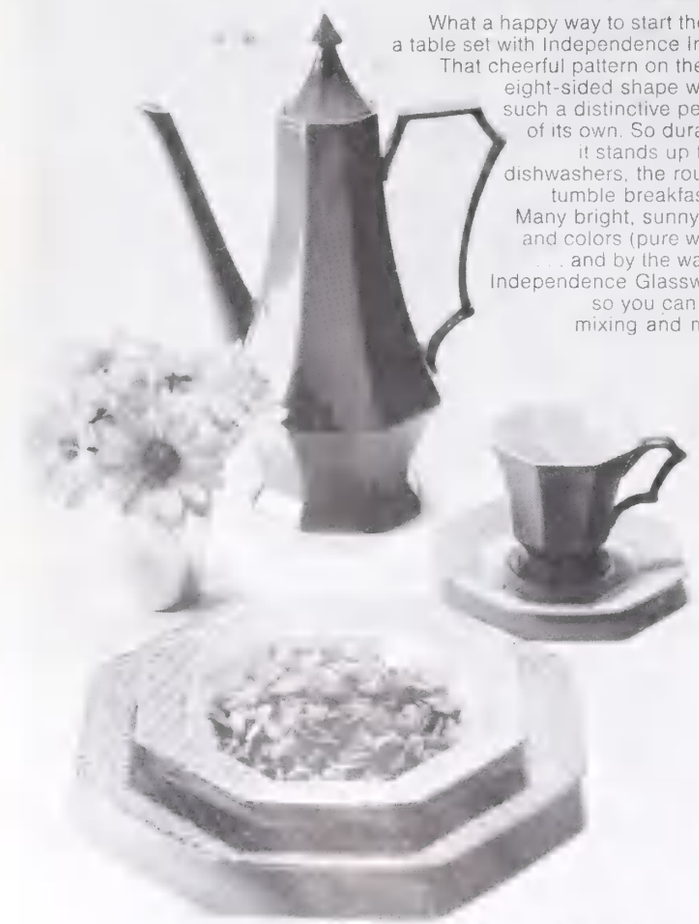
Also sometimes spelled Billy-by (but always pronounced billy-bee), it is an incredibly subtle and rich cream-and-mussel broth created in 1925 by Louis Barthe, then the chef at the famous Ciro's in Paris, and later at Maxim's. According to Charles Chevillot, who serves Billi-Bi at his Ground Floor Restaurant in New York, a certain William Brand who frequented Ciro's asked Chef Barthe to serve only the broth to some American guests rather than, as was customary, with the mussels. Thus, a new soup was born: dubbed Billy Brand's, it became, in true French fashion, Potage Billi-Bi. Usually served cold with a sprinkling of minced chives, it is very good hot, too. The cooked mussels, mixed with Sauce Gribiche, can be served cold as a first course at luncheon or dinner.

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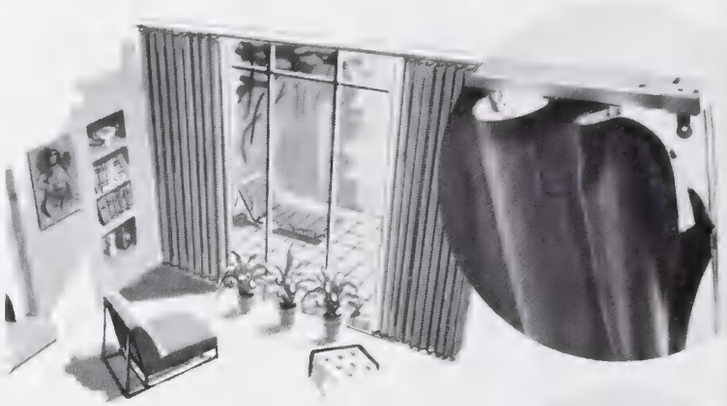
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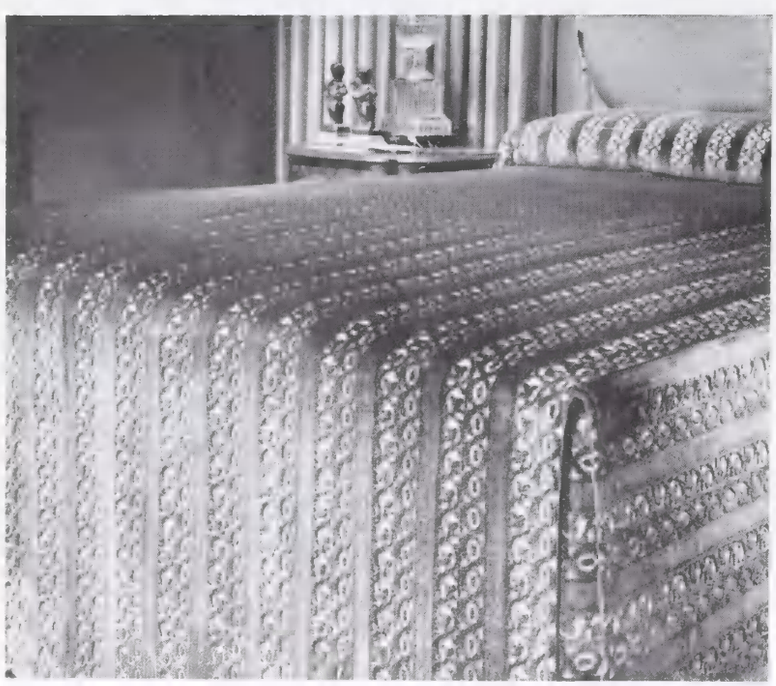


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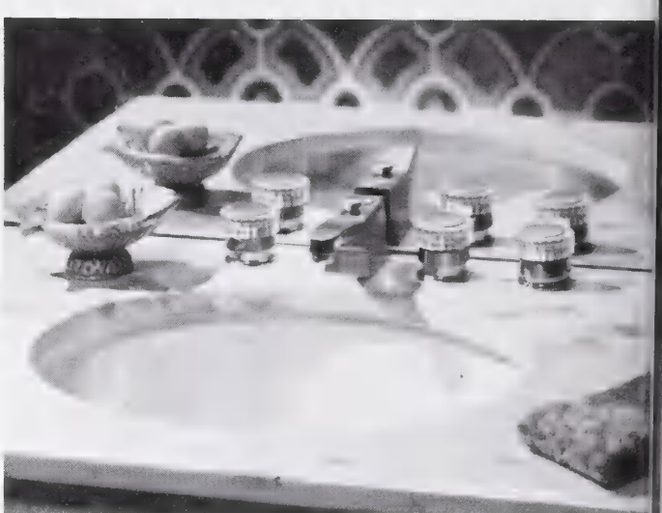


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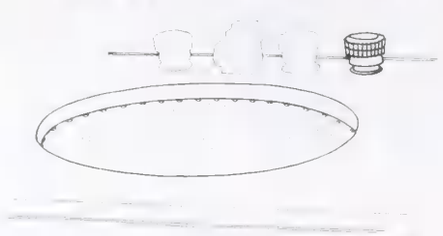
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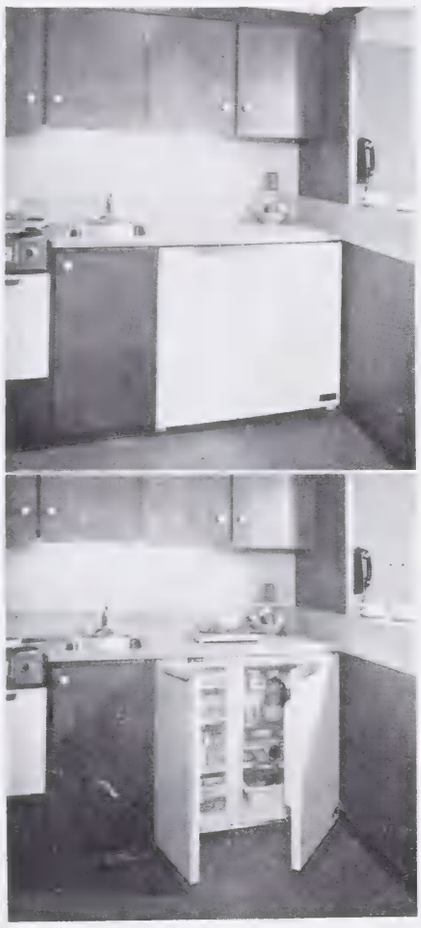
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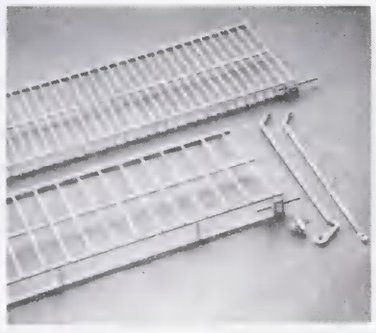
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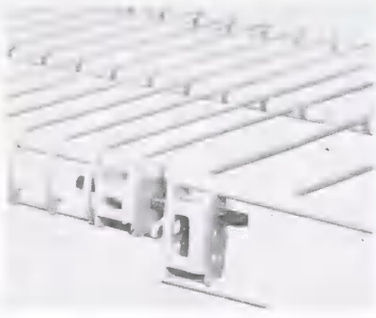


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Fun and profit at a country auction

By EPSIE KINARD

A country auction, like a county fair, is a bit of Americana many cherish and are keeping alive in an age when traditions are too readily discarded

On a sunny Saturday in Charlevoix, Michigan, fashionable summer resort near the Mackinac Straits, Mrs. Jack Begrow, wife of a local architect, attends a lively country auction sheltered by a grove of poplars and white birches. Munching on a chicken leg from her lunchbox, she makes a bid for a stained-glass window a palatial hotel of earlier days is forced to give up.

Standing in a milling crowd outside a farmhouse in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, Miss Elizabeth McCain, a Doylestown dealer specializing in antique jewelry, makes a successful bid at a local auction. The 1830-period Hitchcock chair she snapped up for $30 is passed hand-by-hand to her through the kitchen window.

At a Hudson River Valley estate sale, Mrs. Abraham Tinkelman, wife of a Poughkeepsie dentist, sits under a tent on a sweeping green lawn and bids $400 for a Knabe grand piano that's worth $4,000. She gets two huge cartons of sheet music with the piano.

These women represent a cross-section of thousands of auction aficionados scattered all over the country. Many of them pack a lunch basket on a sunny Saturday, stuff local newspaper announcements and printed handbills of sales into pockets, pile children into a station wagon, and drive to some designated barn, tent, grange hall, or lawn of an imposing estate in the hope of picking up at a country auction a valuable treasure for the home. If not a treasure of great value, furnishings of character and distinction that add a dramatic dash of panache to a room can be picked up, sometimes at unbelievably low prices.

The treasure some auction buffs hope to find may lie under layers of paint or coats of grime. Refurbishing skills applied to a drab wooden table may uncover a gem of the craftsman's art with hand-wrought hinges and hand-hewn pegs.

Young people decorating their first home or college quarters can pick up at auctions better pieces than they can otherwise afford to buy. One young woman (Mrs. Irving Kolin, wife of a New York City resident psychiatrist) brought her new baby home to a nursery furnished with a refurbished Victorian bassinet, a high chair, and a settee of fine scroll-work wicker she bought for $20 at a grange-hall sale near Poughkeepsie.

Roger Fega, a Williams College senior, picked up at a *(Continued on page 175)*



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THE MAKE-OVER

Fortunate the American whose life permits the discovery of an old classic: a lofty barn, a mill with a glistening race of water still tumbling at its side, a rural school, a long, low stable . . . all with the feel of time . . . waiting to be reclaimed. It is to their transformation that House Beautiful dedicates itself in this issue. The view, the old lilacs, the beams and foundations, the very eccentricities of building are the priceless gifts of time past. The vitality and ease and comforts are the gifts of today. Pursuing the American Classic thread, we have summoned the most endearing examples of Early American design of furniture, papers, fabrics, and glass being made today. We demonstrate anew the typical native ingenuity of found storage space, and treat completely four remodelings of the area that has been the household center since the log cabin took on a lean-to: the kitchen.

Sarah Tomerlin Lee



Old barn entry, above, has become a bona-fide picture window, giving the living room, below, an all-season vista of a rose-geranium garden and a spruced-up toolhouse.

ERNEST SILVA





From a rustic stable

A STYLISH COUNTRY PLACE



The look is romantic, relaxed, mellow as a September sunset—and as American as the countrywide quest for a piece of the past to call one's own. Designer John Scoville has found it in this twice-converted New England stable—his place for summer vacations and year-round weekends. Preserved here, a native architectural form—the snug, horizontal, deep-roofed shelter that once told passersby this was the farmstead of a prosperous Yankee horse-owner. The stall uprights remain, now curtained in the stylish staccato of white canvas against gunmetal weathered wood, shading a lanai-porch (see our cover) that was formerly enclosed barn space. Remaining space is divided into kitchen, living room, and two bedrooms, stretched boxcar fashion across the lower floor. Upstairs, the old hayloft is a guest bedroom. Overall, under the elms and maples, a stylish sense of *urbs in rure*. *More*





A STYLISH COUNTRY PLACE

continued





The sophisticating power of positive decoration

From the terrace, opposite, throughout the house, a mixed and daring unexpectedness in furnishings, colors, scale—evidence of Designer Scoville's certainty of taste. Outdoor chairs are French indoor chairs, wood, matte-painted gunmetal: Chinese table, its lacquer removed, then washed in off-white: a Victorian urn crammed with flowers. Rooms are small but powerful, revealing the *coup de main* of the experienced decorator. Each is sparsely furnished, but with choice, large-scale, eye-filling pieces. Color is assertive, almost always a matter of one color vigorously accented by a second color. Hayloft guestroom, top right—a cube of blue slashed with the lacquer red of desk and Directoire bed. Wall and ceiling paper is marbleized. White played against dark, gunmetal black or dusky brown wood—stylish no-color, in the dining room and kitchen, as on the terrace. In the living room, right, the almost invisible color of an ice-blue sofa, accented with silver-green—a lead-in to a garden view. *More*









A STYLISH COUNTRY PLACE

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Collections astutely displayed and in daily use

The trained eye of John Scoville has chosen its own treasures and put them to inventive, usually restrained use. In the sparingly furnished checked-chintz bedroom, top left, a mirrored red-lacquer China Trade box elegantly tops off an enameled chest; two panels from an antique bamboo screen used as mirror frames are right-angled into a corner to provide a full-length looking glass.

Monumental accents in the vermilion bedroom—Empire wood carvings of Napoleon and sphinxes, punctuating the spacesaving lineup of two tiger-striped bed-sofas, giving the small room height and authority. Dressing table is Régence, small, a gem of its kind.

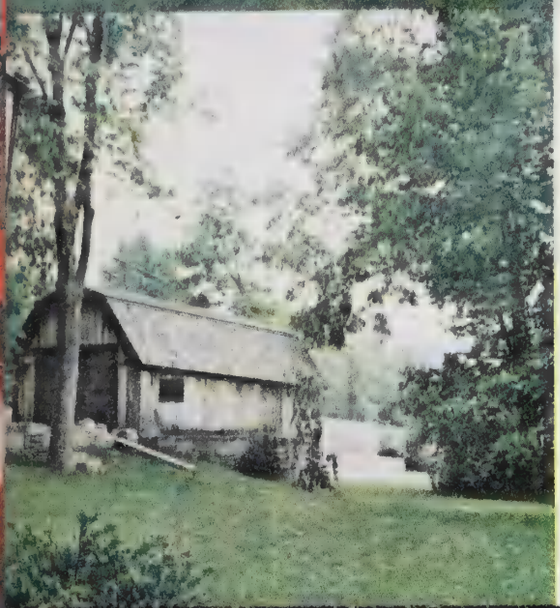
The white-and-brown syndrome in the kitchen, left, with a view of the adjacent terrace. Wood is stained black-brown; fruit and vegetable still lifes, from a collection of Connecticut River Valley art.

Bennington ware, from the owner's profuse collection, is in constant use, sensationally stored on the lighted shelves of an entire wall in the brown-and-white sitting room, opposite. Slipcovers are chalk-white Belgian linen, smartly contrasted against polished pine floors, which in this vacation house are everywhere left uncarpeted.









Three waterfalls, a mill pond, and acres of wild shrubbery are the enchanted setting for an unusual remodeling. Paneling, hearthstones, locks, nails, ceilings, brick from two smaller old houses were moved to the mill and reorganized to create an eight-room house that is, except for new panes and sashes, 18th-century. Mr. Ellsworth, connoisseur and collector of Oriental as well as Early American art, rebuilt the foundation and put on new roofing, doing much of the carpentry and stonework himself. Barn siding, typical of the 1700's, covers the exterior. (For views of the interior, with some explanation of the ingenious piecing, please turn the page.)







From an abandoned mil



FAULCONER-FENN

AN 18TH-CENTURY TREASURE HOUSE

When Robert Ellsworth was eleven years old, he set his heart on this abandoned mill. Tucked away in 13 acres of woods near his family's home, it was a perfect spot for hide-and-seek, shivering all the while over possible ghosts. Ten years later, Mr. Ellsworth bought his mill. In a topsy-turvy remodeling that took 20 years, entire rooms and oddments from smaller houses were pieced together in an 18th-century jigsaw puzzle.

AN 18TH-CENTURY TREASURE HOUSE

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Turnabouts in the dining room, left. Handhewn floors, once attic walls from a 1711 house in Farmington, Connecticut. Paneled walls, from the sitting room of a house in Colchester. From Mr. Ellsworth's private collections: an American tin chandelier, English walnut table, Dutch brass candlesticks.





Cupboards in the kitchen, left and above, were adapted from sliding "Indian" shutters that once protected a Colonial family from the sting of arrows or, less frightening, the winds of a New England winter. Wall panels are, contrarily, chestnut boards from the attic floors of the Farmington house.



Before a bulldozer razed a 1740 saltbox in Wareham, Massachusetts, Mr. Ellsworth saved wallpaneling and furniture from the dining and sitting rooms to provide for his living room, top. In the master bedroom, above, he refitted authentic Early American patchwork quilts to cover the bed and daybed.

To the mill's library, above right, the Farmington house donated paneling, walls, bricks, floor, and ceiling. Over the English desk is a Chinese painting of the Dutch East India Company in China. All the antiques are 18th-century or earlier. "That was, after all, the very best time," commented Mr. Ellsworth.



By EPSIE KINARD

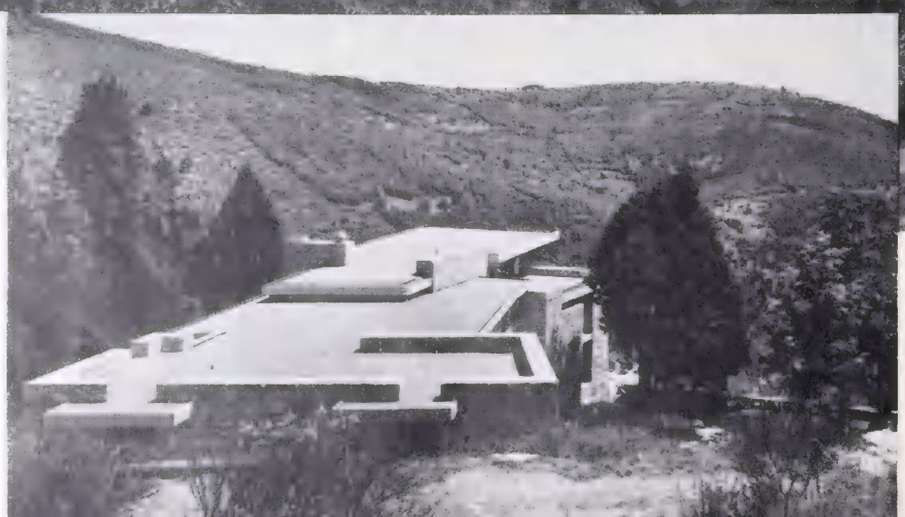
From an ancient Florentine farm
a young American builds

A CONTEMPORARY PAVILION



Old fortresslike wall of native stone was retained for the villa that replaced farmhouse (shown at top) on 25 Edenlike acres. Gravel rooftops, right, show the villa's jigsaw silhouette jutting out into a spectacular facade. Rising from a Tuscany hilltop like a castle's keep, opposite, the villa makes a dynamic thrust into space with cantilevered balconies on three levels. Upper two accommodate a two-level living room; the lowest, the master bedroom.

BALTHAZAR KORAB





Preserving the simplicity of structure of a classic Italian farmhouse while creating an interior of easy comfort and elegance. Theodore Waddell and his family enjoy the best of both worlds on a Tuscany hilltop. Mr. Waddell, who teaches at a unit of Pennsylvania State University in Italy, created "Two Models of an Undesignable City," exhibited recently at New York's Museum of Modern Art. *More*



A CONTEMPORARY PAVILION

continued

Interior of two-level living room reflects house's oneness with its surroundings: The colors of furnishings of world-wide origins are the colors of nature: dried oak-leaf shades of Indian raw silk for upholstery cushions, beige Belgian linen curtains, fur throws from Iceland and Africa, prize Navajo rugs from our Southwest.

"This house is thrust into the void," says Architect Waddell. "but it is calm and unnervous. One feels in repose in it. Though the view is spectacular. it is a view not only to look at but to live in. Here. we are not spectators but actors."

Masterly mix of old and new: A wall of glass doors in master-bedroom suite swings open on pivots instead of conventional hinges. Sheer glass gains drama by its proximity to walls of stone. massive as ancient battlements.



Spacious kitchen. left. is part of farmhouse joined to house by bridge of concrete and glass. Courtyard is paved with stone slabs eight inches thick. *More.*





Bathtub of concrete with wide window-wall view of the valley is set in bedroom floor. Master suite includes sitting room, above, with built-in concrete benches cushioned with pillows of white hand-woven cotton, carpeted with white wool rugs from Greece. Railing of concrete stair, which serves three floors, is decorated with Peruvian hangings. Windows along stair show depth of wall, focus view on thriving grove of olive trees.





A CONTEMPORARY PAVILION

continued



Two living-room levels, walled expansively with glass, are connected vertically by an open space-well, enclosed on three sides by bench-tables of sculptured stone in lieu of a balcony guardrail. Cushioned with big handsome pillows covered with raw Indian silk, these benches offer charming retreats for chats *à deux* away from a crowd.



Built in 1862 as a District School in Brewster, New York, where itinerant lawyers used to teach half the year, the building at the left has now entered on a full-time second life as a small manor house. An unusually high ceiling permitted dividing the original single story into two, the upper lit by an added dormer, reached by a new spiral stair. The whole interior design by owners Ned Aidt and Daniel Rohman, proprietors, too, of a neighboring paradise for antique collectors, named, appropriately, The Red Schoolhouse. *More*

In a rural schoolhouse

AN AMBIENCE OF PROVINCIAL FRANCE

Connoisseur's choices in a heady decorative blending. Among the treasures, chiefly 18th-century, in the living room, below: An English seaman's chest, made in the Orient, serving as a coffee table. Proud Chinese porcelain cocks, used as bookends. On the wall, below windows set high to accommodate blackboards, a carved Regency valance. Above the old American pine mantel, a splendid Parliament clock. In the dining area, yew chairs from Yorkshire. Unifying all and giving the room fresh impact, the colors: delphinium blues, high-spirited reds. These, continued into the kitchen, right, via paint, wallpaper, matching curtains. Door and cabinets, from 18th-century armoires. French, too, the Provincial chairs, wine-taster's table, chandelier, spice cabinet, *terre-d'uze* jar.

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WESLEY BALZ



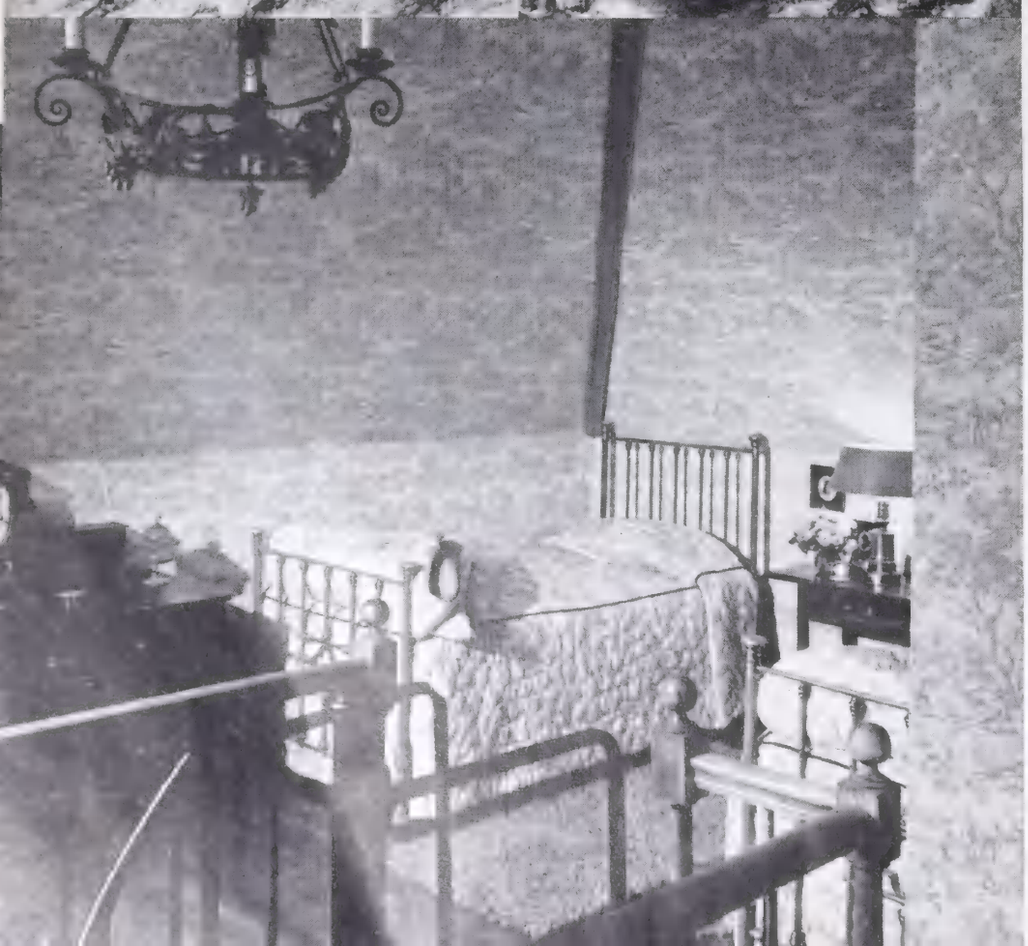




AN AMBIENCE OF PROVINCIAL FRANCE

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In the bedrooms, two decisive ways to use pattern in a host of different materials. A sequence of bamboo turnings in the bedroom-library, above, adjoining the living room: the cherry bedframe, the Brighton chair, the bookcase, and the base for the Regency tole tray. For pattern variety: blue-and-milk-chocolate plaid, a toss of jungle pillows, fox rug, tortoise on the chair, the blue and white of a Cantonese porcelain garden seat. Curtain and walls, paler tones of the plaid's milk-chocolate. For the upstairs bedroom, left, quilted toile de Jouy repeats the wallpaper design. Linking its warm tones with those of the walnut-stained oak floor, a shag rug in a coalescence of colors. The chest, a century-old French Provincial piece. The wrought-iron chandelier with dangling grapes, brought from Brittany.

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O. PHILIP POEDEL

In the stable of a great estate

A DRAMATIC MODERN SETTING

Now a weekend house for any time of year, this building was originally devoted to great stables. Part of one wing is still reserved for its first function; the rest made over into charming rooms where comfort, contemporary art, sturdy antiques provide a feeling of offhand elegance, enhanced by such kept touches of rusticity as in the old beams and the rough rafters glimpsed overleaf.





A DRAMATIC MODERN SETTING

continued

A soaring fireplace as the focus of a genial group in the living room, left. Reminder of the manor's past, the rake of the walls, the exposed timbers, freshened by whitewash. The massive hexagonal table in the foreground, a treasured Italian antique that keyed the choice of the contemporary furnishings. Another side of the living room, opposite page, with India print stretched over sections of the walls. More India print, quilted, for an armchair; embroideries and prints from India and Africa covering the sofa pillows. Above the sofa, a painting by Edward Giobbi. On the marble-tile table, a circus rider by Jacques Lipchitz. The chandelier, old and iron, lightened by a coat of paint. A short gallery, left, linking the wings, made into a small sitting room with casual wicker chairs drawn up in front of a fine old fireplace brought from Paris. On the other side of the glass, a view of rolling green countryside and the whimsy of an old-time weather vane in the shape of a placid cow. Interior designer for the manor, Mrs. Russell W. Davenport, associated with McMillen, Inc.

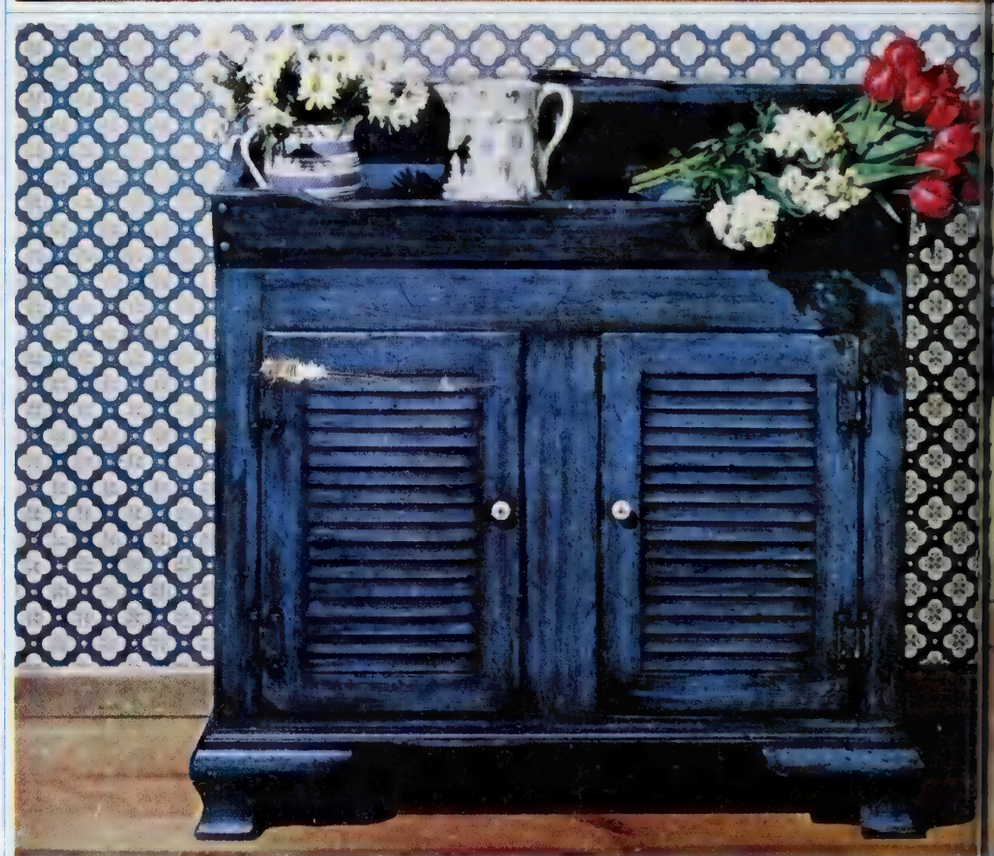




WESLEY BALZ

The Boston rocker, a design indigenous to America. Here in a painted finish. From Old Colony Collection by Heywood-Wakefield. $87. The fabric behind it, "Agadir" from the Clipper Cargo Collection of prints by F. Schumacher. Maple settee with the popular fan back of the American Windsor originally inspired by the English Windsor. From the Roger Conant Collection. Conant Ball. $87. "Quilting Bee" patchwork printed fabric is by Greeff. The ubiquitous dry sink, here in blue, with lift-out copper tray, adjustable shelf behind louvered doors. From Ethan Allen Group by Baumritter. $250. In blue spruce, holly green, sugarbush red, autumn gold, or antiqued pine. The wallpaper, "Old Lyme" by Thomas Strahan.





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American. A style of house furnishings turned out by village cabinetmakers to meet the needs of small houses, the desires of freedom-loving people. Simple shapes, straightforward designs fashioned from local timber. A style high in favor today. *More on the next two pages*

Lambert Hitchcock's legacy of chair patterns, continuing in favor today, include this rush-seated model, broad of back, with elaborately turned legs, arm support. From Nichols & Stone, $70. "Leopard" wallpaper, Nancy McClelland. Dropleaf table of many uses. This double-rudder version with oval top measuring 44" open, 18" when closed. In oak from Stonehouse Collection by Cushman, $195. "Sadko" wallpaper from C.W. Stockwell was taken from a historic pattern. Handsome corner cupboard, above, with curving motif framing open shelves, typical of cabinets that graced early kitchens and dining rooms. In maple, 69" high. By Moosehead, $139. Red fabric, "Halleck," is from the Document Hill Collection of historic prints by Greeff Fabrics.







Quaint charm in a country buffet with hutch, well suited to informal rooms today. From the Cross Keys Pine Collection. Pennsylvania House. 79″ high. 54″ wide. 19″ deep. $506. On wall. "Baskets and Urns" from Piazza Prints.

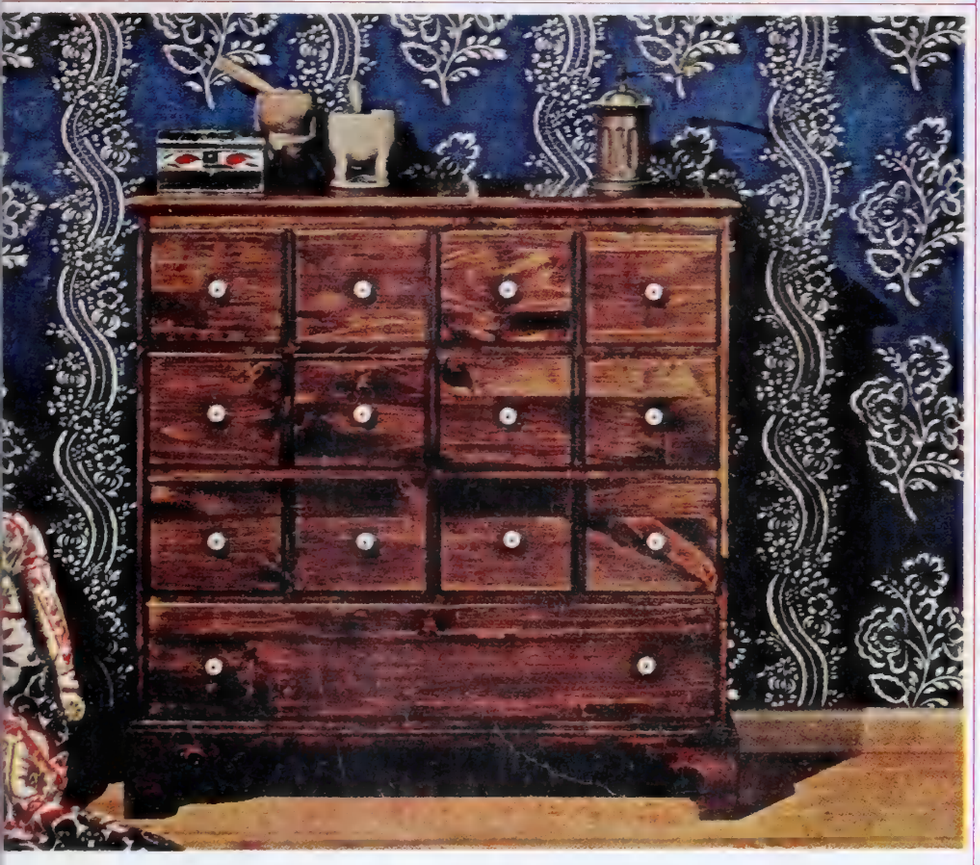
Decorated bench in the American Windsor tradition with cattail spindle back and rounded seat. From the Pioneer Treasury Collection by Temple-Stuart. 58″ in length. $90. Behind bench: "Pondicherry" from Cyrus Clark Fabrics.

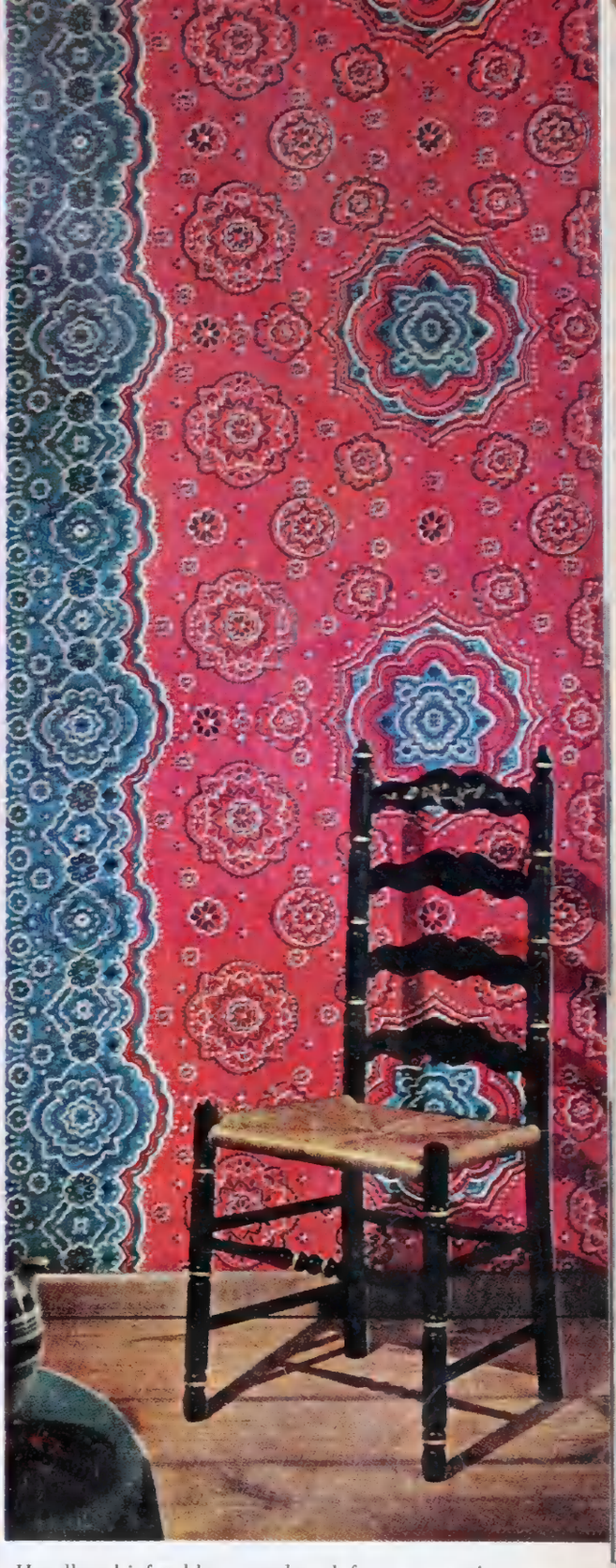
Fan-back Windsor, yoke-topped crest rising from curved armrest. Named for Governor Carver, who sailed with the Pilgrims on the "Mayflower" and was elected first head of Plymouth Colony. Chair by S. Bent. $47. Fabric, "Hanora Coffee," from Henry Ford Museum Collection. Greeff.

FRESH FLOWERING OF NEW ENGLAND

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Handkerchief table reproduced from an antique found in the General Cochran farm in the Mohawk Valley. In cherry. Opens to 29″ by 29″. By Frank S. Harden, $90. Fabric is a documentary, "Abigail," in the Brunschwig & Fils collection. Apothecary chest in pine with eight drawers, from the Sugar Hill Pine Collection, Plymwood. 38″ wide by 12″ deep, 38″ high, $131. With it, the classic "Raleigh Tavern" fabric from the Williamsburg Restoration prints, F. Schumacher. Ladderback side chair in black and gold with woven-rush seat. The horizontal slat treatment a basic design in Pilgrim furniture. This painted version by Tell City with spool-turned posts, $36. The print, a contemporary version of the "Bandana Border." By F. Schumacher & Co.

An elegant divider with a practical turn of mind, designed by Audré Fiber. In the dining room, shelves and drawers for crystal, china, serving pieces, even extra leaves for the table. On the living-room side, space for the television and the stereo equipment.

STORAGE: INGENUITY AT WORK

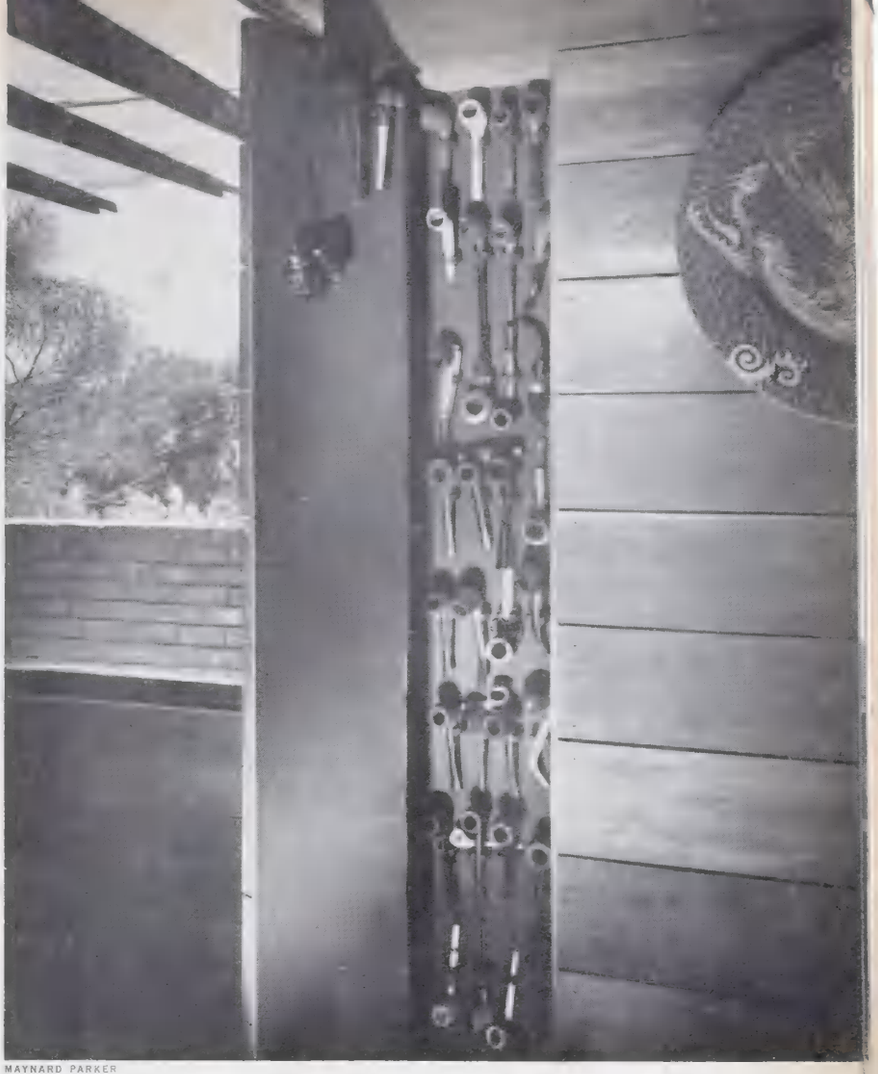


The accumulation of treasures is one of life's delights; where to keep them is one of life's headaches. Here, compounded with the care of a doctor's prescription, are remedies from architects and designers—storage solutions, major and minor, for china collections and other specialties, for objects of everyday use, for music and entertaining equipment—all applied with ingenious tricks for obscuring the true function of the storage units. *More*

Two neat tricks. A shelf with room for all the et ceteras that inevitably accumulate beside the bed, the top finished with the natural flow of the grain. An easy-to-reach drawer for blankets, putting to use the usual groping space under the bed. Home of Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Osman, Key Biscayne. Architect, George F. Reed.







MAYNARD PARKER

For a connoisseur of pipes, yet suitable for a variety of collections, this felt-lined hideaway disappears completely into the horizontal paneling of the wall when the door is closed. The San Diego home of Dr. and Mrs. John Jopling. Architect, Loch Crane.

Wild sweeps of color conceal a tall, narrow closet, 12″ deep, in the Canadian home of Architect Jack Diamond. At a touch, the door swings open to reveal glasses in all sizes and a miniature *cave* for wines. The softly padded chair is a Diamond design, too.

ROGER JOWETT









EZRA STOLLER

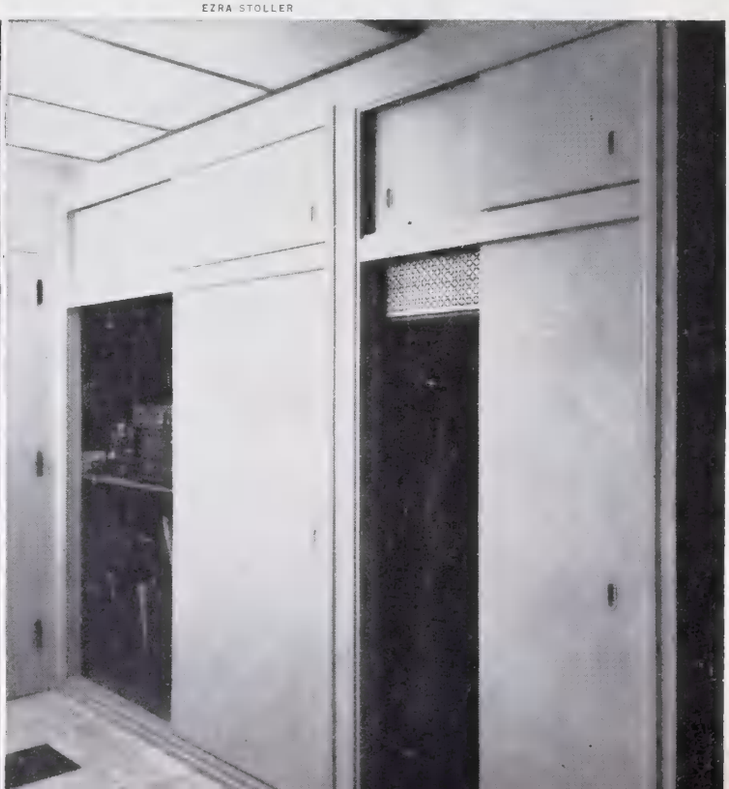
A storage wall is the best way to put floor-to-ceiling space to good use. Even a 12″ depth can, over a whole wall, add up to many cubic feet of storage. Visually, the room will lose very little. In the tropical home, left and above, louvered shutters enclose a splendid trophy collection. Also, slanted shelves for magazines and a special niche for the TV set. The home of the Daniel Rices. Interior: Richard Plumer Co.

STORAGE: INGENUITY AT WORK *continued*

The final result of thoughtful planning, then organizing of closet space: A wall neatly sectioned to hold not only clothes, but also camera equipment, a mini tool bench, folding chairs, even racks for storing artwork of various sizes. Designed by Architect-Owner Irvin Korach.

EZRA STOLLER







THE HOWLAND ASSOCIATES

Never enough of a good thing holds true for storage walls. In the Westport, Connecticut library, above and right, one whole wall was reserved for books. On the adjoining wall, discreetly hidden behind doors, is storage for the stereo equipment, records, and tapes, with a slide-out drawer that supports the television (it can swivel to be seen in the room next door). Owners: Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Godowsky. Design by William Snaith and Frank E. Dushin.




Five-ounce cruet on opposite page a slender curved shape by Viking
Eight-inch plate from Westmoreland in their renowned grape pattern.
Small apothecary jar in the moon and-star design from L. E. Smith
Williamsburg Baluster goblet. Crystal reproduction, Royal Leerdam.
Covered sugar bowl, Henry Ford Museum, copied by Fostoria.
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Williamsburg decanter—tall, squared, and timeless—praising whatever it holds. Reproduction by Royal Leerdam.

Fostoria reproduction: candleholder from Henry Ford Museum.

Blenko's cozy decanter, nicely balanced, eight inches in circumference.

obnail glass bell th a summons as ear as its amber nt, from Fenton.

Reproduction, left, by Royal Leerdam, of small pitcher from Willamsburg.

Pint-holding pitcher in a loved old-time design. Made by Imperial Glass.

KITCHEN REMODELING STEP BY STEP

House Beautiful's Home Service Editor sums up —in this definitive article—her many years of advising homeowners on planning a new kitchen. Plans and photographs of four recently remodeled kitchens illustrate the basic principles.

By NANCY CRAIG

Planning and transforming an outmoded, poorly equipped kitchen into a dream workroom can be an exciting and rewarding experience. It is also a slow, laborious job. But you can save yourself endless frustrations, as well as money, by doing your homework well before you begin. A kitchen can't be ordered from a catalog or bought from a store like a refrigerator. A good kitchen represents a concept of living.

Where do you begin? By immersing yourself in all the information you can find on kitchens and equipment. Read the articles in magazines and newspapers having to do with kitchens. Clip pictures of kitchens you like. Study equipment ads and write manufacturers for literature. Browse through appliance departments and stores. Check your local utility company for any information they have on kitchen remodeling. Only by digesting a solid background of information can you evaluate your wants and needs and do the proper choosing and discarding that is part of the fun of remodeling.

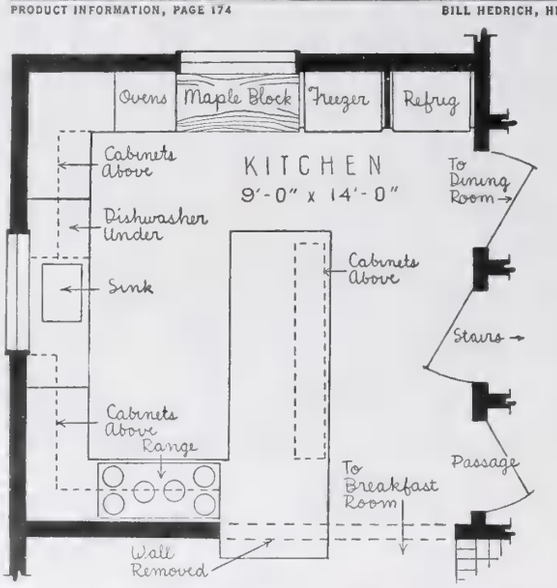
Take the time for a self-analysis of how you and your family live. A checklist on page 177 can furnish some of the guidelines. You will need to develop an awareness of how you work in the kitchen. Think about the present arrangement of work areas and how they might be placed more conveniently.

By the time you are ready to consult the architect, kitchen designer, or contractor about building your new kitchen, your ideas should be well organized. Professionals can't possibly know as intimately as you can what your particular kitchen needs are. If you are knowledgeable about what is available and what you want, you will never be tempted to fall back on a standard kitchen plan that will give you less than what would be best for your own situation. (*Continued*)



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BILL HEDRICH, HEDRICH-BLESSING



1. The sociable kitchen, open but efficient

For the woman who enjoys companionship when she is in the kitchen, this plan is made to order. Here, in the Francis Mesker household, a lively exchange of conversation goes on during meal preparation, for a small sitting room, where the family likes to relax, is separated by only a counter. The kitchen is a jewel of efficiency whether Mrs. Mesker is cooking for two or 22, due to its fine equipment and wrap-around work counter. Steel cabinets have doors paneled in cherry wood and white vinyl. Designers: Alspaugh Custom Kitchens.



KITCHEN REMODELING

continued

IS THERE ADEQUATE SPACE?

The type of kitchen you select will be governed to some extent by available space and location. If your present room seems small, there may be an adjoining room and one partition that could be removed to get extra space. Doors can often be eliminated. No kitchen should have more than three doors. Since labor is today's most costly commodity, you will want structural changes held down to a minimum. However, windows can be moved and plumbing lines shifted.

Your interest may be a country kitchen with an attractive sitting area and perhaps a fireplace, or a contemporary multipurpose room allowing for hobbies as well as cooking. An indoor-outdoor kitchen has great appeal for those who enjoy the casual way of life. Toddlers suggest a play area inside and out, within view of anyone working in the kitchen. Where cooking is enjoyed as a creative art, the workroom should provide for all its pleasures.

For the woman who considers meal preparation a chore to be handled with little more than speed and dispatch, a compact kitchen with every laborsaving device and convenience is the answer. Study as many different kitchens and kinds of kitchens as you can, and you will develop definite ideas about your own wants and needs.

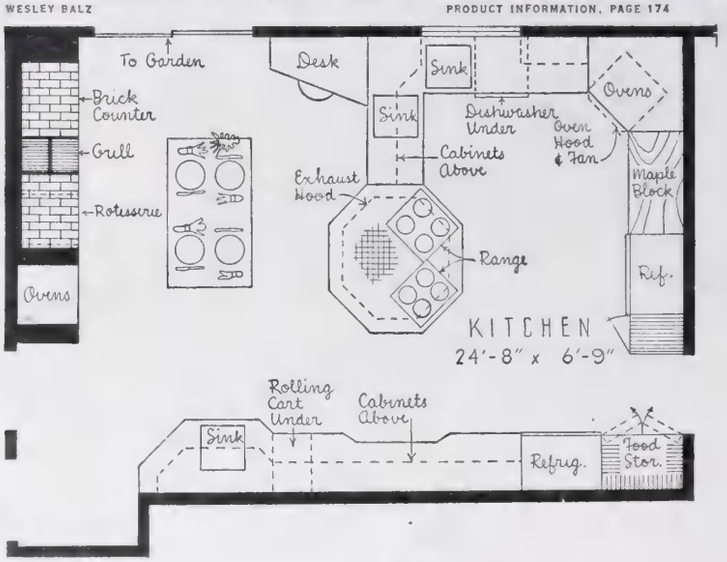
PLAN YOUR KITCHEN ON PAPER

As your ideas begin to crystallize, get some graph paper and sketch a tentative floor plan. Let each square represent a square foot, and outline the space available as previously measured. Make note of the location of doors, windows, closets, radiators, and such. Then draw in your three main work centers as you think you would like them, i.e., the range with its work counter, the sink and dishwasher, and the refrigerator with adjoining counter space for preparing foods. Experts agree that these three centers are best arranged in a triangle. The three sides should measure, in total, no more than 22 feet. Continuous counters are desirable, but they need not be of one material or one height. You will probably have other centers to add, such as a planning desk, a drink-mix center with its own sink, a separate serving area equipped with warming drawers, and so on. If you do much entertaining on a large scale, consider an island unit with sinks and/or a cooktop. It will add needed work counters. Study different plans, and by sketching enough arrangements you will find the most workable and pleasing arrangement for your kitchen. *(Continued overleaf)*



WESLEY BALZ

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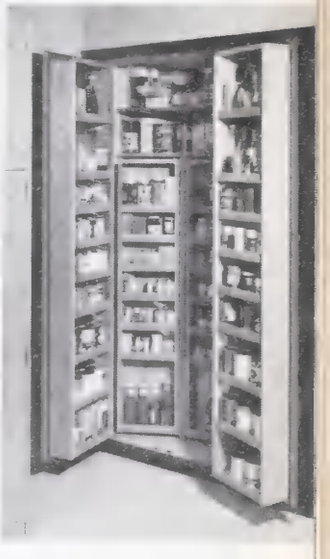


2. Where servants worked, now the family gathers

Original kitchen, planned for staff of servants and large-scale entertaining, was efficient but sterile in appearance. Only the glazed gray-brick barbecue and oven wall in dining area was retained when remodeled for a family sharing the pleasures of planning and preparing good food. A window was enlarged and glass doors added for the view of magnificent gardens just outside. Kitchen cabinets of gray washed oak have counters of white tile and Delft-blue plastic laminate. Serving and drink-mixing center, shown above, adjoins formal dining room. Designed by Leo Lemchen of Barmark.

Work area of kitchen is set off from traffic by ceramic tile cook-and-serve counter. Two cook-tops, hood above, allow for more than one cook. Serving cart, below, has its own parking space.





Canned or packaged food stores on swing-out shelves of pantry.

Delft-patterned vinyl tiles in solid-color floor mark dining area. Terrace gardens are in view through glass doors.

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THE COMPONENTS OF YOUR KITCHEN

Cabinets are a major consideration in planning a new kitchen. They contribute so much to its appearance, convenience, and function. You can find them for almost any price, and in most cases you get what you pay for. Beware of an extremely low price, which can mean basic raw materials are not of good quality, wood is not well seasoned, or hardware (or its finish) will not stand up under use. Unless you are expert in this field, you must rely on the reputation of your contractor, in the case of cabinets built on the job, or select stock or custom cabinets of a nationally known manufacturer.

Here again, prices will depend on what you choose. You can have all-steel cabinets, or those with vinyl-covered or wood doors. Different woods are available in natural or color-stained finishes. You also have the smooth and textured plastic laminates in many patterns and colors.

How well-detailed the cabinets are will also affect the price; the number of shelves, whether fixed or adjustable, such features as sliding trays, vertical files for platters and trays, pull-out chopping boards, etc. A well-organized kitchen will have compartments proportioned for different utensils and tools, for all these things contribute to the efficiency of a kitchen, and of course, its cost. Make lists of items to be stored at each work center. Mistakes are costly when a room must be torn apart; better to pay for good cabinets and installation and get the job done properly.

SHOPPING FOR EQUIPMENT

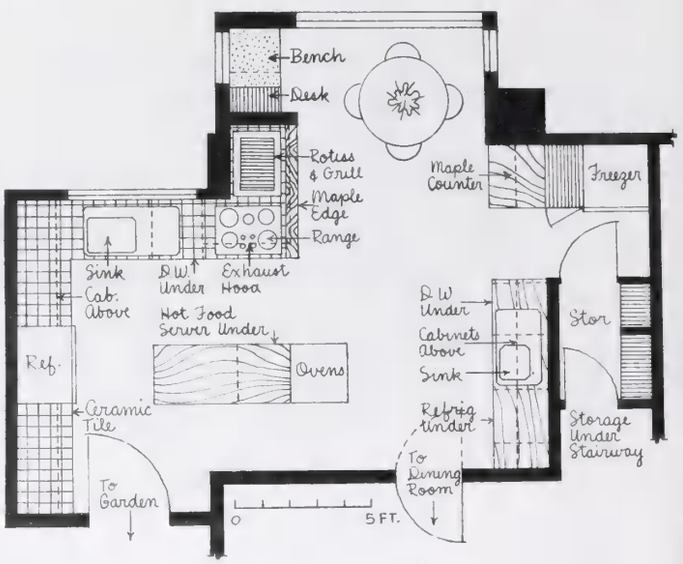
Whether yours will be a gas or an electric kitchen is a matter of preference, and may depend on the cost of fuel in your area. Technological developments in the last ten years have produced improvements in appliances, yet prices have not soared; you get more for your money than ever before. Warranties cover a longer time period. This varies from manufacturer to manufacturer and appliance to appliance, but it is something to check when considering a purchase.

From a decorative standpoint, you should know that appliances can now be installed so they practically disappear into the cabinetry. Framing kits are available for many refrigerators, freezers, and dishwashers, so they can be paneled in the same material as the cabinets or coordinated in some way with a particular color scheme or pattern. One company makes it possible to panel the oven doors of the range. Another company is presently offering *(Continued)*

3. Space for party-giving on a grand scale



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When the Harrison McNear Leppos decided to remodel this summer home for year-round living, the kitchen space was clearly inadequate. There is constant entertaining in this home, and extra help is often needed. Kitchen Designer Janean, who planned the new arrangement, removed several partitions, adding the space of small adjoining rooms. She enlarged the windows for the sheer pleasure of seeing the treetops of the hillside below. Stainless-steel equipment, tiled counter and wall were chosen for ease of maintenance. Cabinets, carefully detailed, make work function smoothly. There are sinks at both the preparation and the clean-up centers, and each has its own dishwasher.







BRUCE HARLOW

A tiled counter and wall surround the electric cooktop and gas grill, top. Within steps are double ovens and warming drawers, left, part of an island unit. One person can work at each side of its chopping-block counter. Serving center, opposite page, has its own sink and dishwasher. Tiny planning desk, above, is fitted with shelves to hold cookbooks.

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oven doors that closely resemble carved wood. More colored appliances are available around which you can build as colorful a kitchen as you want.

HOW WILL YOU COOK?

In choosing cooking equipment, your first choice lies between built-ins and freestanding appliances. The most revolutionary development in built-ins is the electric smooth-surface glass ceramic cooktop that literally wipes clean. There are more conventional gas and electric built-ins, as well as ranges, that include a grill or broiler, with standard surface units. Double built-ins come for vertical or horizontal installations.

There is a multiplicity of features to consider in freestanding ranges. One electric model has infra-red lamps to hold foods at serving temperature, and a built-in exhaust to filter out fumes, cooking odors, and grease. Gas and electric ranges come with a gallery, shelf, or cabinet for heating plates, thawing foods, or keeping them warm. Faster, more efficient infra-red broilers are found in many ranges. One speed broiler cooks both sides of a steak or chops at the same time. The newest convenience added to an electric range is a hot-water tap offering 185° F. water.

However you regard the importance of these conveniences, along with cook-and-hold and otherwise timed controls, you will want a self-cleaning oven—freestanding or built-in, either gas or electric.

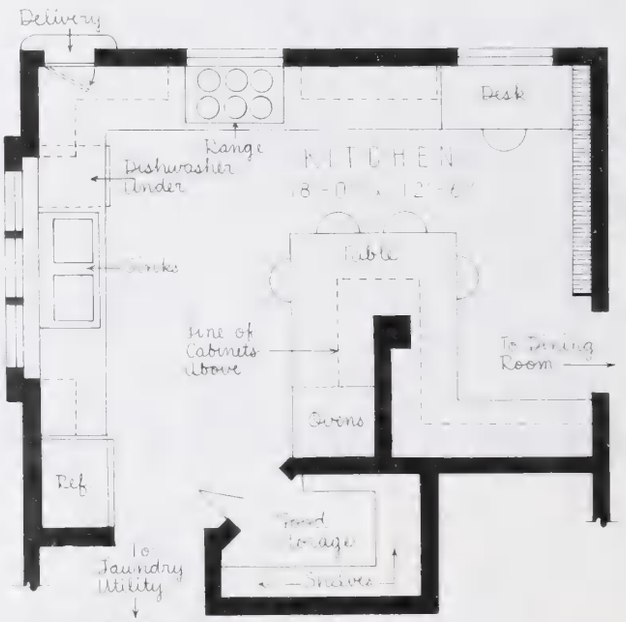
Two self-cleaning systems are being used. The pyrolytic method uses high temperatures to eliminate soil—you will find this on all electric and most gas ranges. The catalytic system uses a chemical catalyst incorporated in the oven liner, which acts on soil when oven temperatures reach 350° F. or higher. This system is available on a limited number of gas ranges.

COOKING WITH MICROWAVES

The electronic oven was not designed to take the place of a conventional oven, but it should be considered in planning the ultimate kitchen. Because it reduces cooking time to a minimum and is unique in its ability to retain fresh-cooked flavor in reheating foods, it can add much to the pleasures of the kitchen. It is something that all members of the family will appreciate and use when they want lunch or a snack in a hurry. Two manufacturers are now marketing two-oven eye-level ranges that incorporate an electronic oven along with conventional cooking equipment.

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4. A working kitchen for a busy family



FOUR KITCHEN PLANS BY MARY ELLEN HENLE



MAYNARD PARKER

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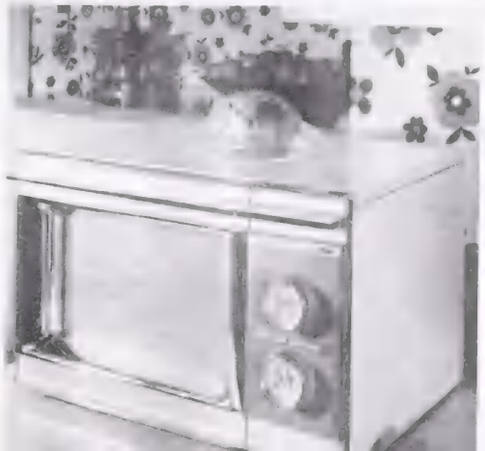
The Lloyd Shearers' favorite way of entertaining is tennis-and-supper. To let Mrs. Shearer stay on the courts as long as possible, Architect Edla Muir planned a simple working kitchen where she could fix meals quickly. The old kitchen, above, was redone after Mrs. Shearer spent many years cutting clippings, detailing her own work patterns, and analyzing the needs of family members. Cabinets were shifted, refinished; others added. An outmoded pantry wall was removed; dual appliances for each job were installed. The finished kitchen, bright and spacious, is a model of efficiency. For the Shearers' kitchen planning story, see page 44.



Windows at the sink area, and others strategically placed around the room, provide good light and a view of outdoors. The counter adjacent to double ovens, below, has pull-out storage bins over it, with a spot to enjoy a quick snack at the end. Opposite the refrigerator, left, is a walk-in pantry with floor-to-ceiling shelves. This replaced an old-fashioned cooler and small closet.



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Groceries are moved directly into the kitchen through a counter-high door, left. The electronic oven, far left, is portable and adds an extra convenience: speedy cooking.



Here and Now:

INDOOR/ OUTDOOR CARPETING AND FURNITURE

Lemony curves, left, on a midnight-blue carpet, designed to stand up to poolside traffic. Cushioned carpet, Ozite. New foldable, stackable chairs, Brown-Jordan. Pattern comes to the indoor-outdoor scene, below left. Tile motif in rust shades. "Medina" carpet from Crown. The simple pleasures of wicker and linen by Pacifica. Pure, brilliant red, below, that won't pale in the sun, a carpet by Ludlow. For delicious comfort, a new low-slung chaise, matching lounge chairs by Troy.

PHOTOGRAPHED AT HOMES IN OCALA, FLORIDA DETAILS ON PAGE 174





New underfoot—for terraces, patio, deck, or any room of the house—the toughness of weatherproof fibers, the bloom of clear, fade-resistant colors, the pleasures of pattern, the sense of texture, looped, twisted, shagged. Nine examples here, each with selections from the new summer furniture collections. At our Here-and-Now stores, page 174.

Editors:
LESTER GRUNDY
TACY BOWMAN



Dappled sunlight, right, on a putting-green-soft carpet, a lush shag called "Limelight" by Wunda Weve. The elegance of leafy wrought-iron furniture, Salterini. The brick terrace, below left, is soft to the barest foot, carpeted in a new burnt-orange pattern by Barwick. Deeply cushioned, weatherproof furniture by Dux. In the romantic setting of a fern-drenched garden, below right, a looped carpet, "Sand Patterns" by Masland. White-lace furniture, vinyl pads, Plantation. *More*

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INDOOR/ OUTDOOR CARPETING AND FURNITURE

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Pungent accent of chartreuse, left, on a woody Japanesque deck. Carpeting, "Merryweather" by J. P. Stevens. The furniture, aluminum frames strapped with vinyl, "Bambu," by Medallion. Sunstruck yellows in bath and patio, below left, a blissful aerie. Stay-bright carpeting, "Lescare" by Cabin Crafts. Gardenia-swirled chaise by Samsonite. Dauntlessly wall-to-wall, below, an aquamarine tile-pattern carpet, "Hacienda" by Monarch. Stools, midnight vinyl over turquoise frames, Tropitone.

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THE REMARKABLE FLORIBUNDA

The rose that launched a revolution

By CYRIL C. HARRIS

The Gene Boerner rose, a 1969 All-America Selection, named after the late rose breeder who developed the first important floribunda.



Probably no other plant in our present-day garden has risen to fame as rapidly as the floribunda rose. In no more than 20 years it has become a serious rival for supremacy over the hybrid tea rose. During the 25 years following the creation of the first two floribunda roses—Else Poulsen and Kirsten Poulsen—by Svend Poulsen in 1924, their impact was not very great. Most of the floribundas had single or semi-double blooms with very little perfume. While they had some enthusiastic supporters, most gardeners accepted them only as something a little unusual and somewhat pleasing to grow in the garden. Then, about 20 years ago, something happened that sparked a revolution in the rose world. This was the introduction of one floribunda, Fashion, in 1949. It had flowers of a most unusual salmon-pink color, one that literally glowed. Its blooms, while perhaps small by present-day standards, were in form a perfect replica of the hybrid tea roses. What is more, this new creation was the first floribunda ever to have a perfume—the exquisite scent of wild roses.

This lovely rose has in the intervening years become the ancestor of a very large proportion of the many lovely varieties of floribundas that adorn our gardens today, all of which convincingly demonstrate the spectacular development that has taken place in this class of roses over the past 20 years. This progress is manifested in a number of ways. It is shown clearly in their magnificent flowers growing in colorful clusters, in their perpetual blooming, in their informality, and in other characteristics that have made them eminently suitable for the conditions that prevail in modern small gardens. It seems incredible that all this goodness should come from this one rose, Fashion. It is a simple task to compile a list of 20 or more roses currently found in our gardens that can boast of having Fashion in their pedigree.

So important are the qualities possessed by this new type of floribunda rose—eventually to be designated "floribunda-hybrid tea-type rose"—and so profound has its effect been on our present-day roses that it is worthwhile considering for a moment its characteristics in greater detail. It must however be pointed out that much of the floribundas' success rises from the time of their introduction—this coincided *(Continued on page 120)*

Editor: SETON LINDSAY

Here, a portfolio of three pluperfect, pampering private worlds—three rooms soaring with ideas dedicated to the intimate luxuries of bathing, the clean gleamings of porcelain, tile, glass, mirror, metal, and wood raised to a decorative high-C by innovative designers. Caracalla might have wept with envy. Bathroom remodelers can rejoice. Because in each room the made-to-order look is wrapped around fixtures and equipment generally available.

THE INNOVATIVE BATH

In a bath/dressing room, the tub dominant, mirrored and pilastered like a silvery four-poster, canopied with light

Created for House Beautiful. Designer Albert Herbert's concept of the ultimate in contemporary bathrooms. This centers around the new, oval, broader-than-usual, bone-colored "Ultra Bath" by American Standard—a paragon of bathing benisons, directly reflecting consumers' wishes expressed in the 1966 Cornell bathroom study. Among these: skidproof surface, built-in hand grips, automatic controls for water level and temperature, a whirlpool. (See details on page 16.) Its unprecedented "Shower Tower" is here flanked with cabinets. These, like tub and lavatory niche, were given a sheathing of mirror. The overall look: shiny, clean, crystalline—from the tub's steel uprights to the partitioning mesh curtains of linked glass loops. The buttercup freshness: slick-finish, glossy wallpaper and a lush stretch of nylon carpet that give the room the air of a sumptuous boudoir.

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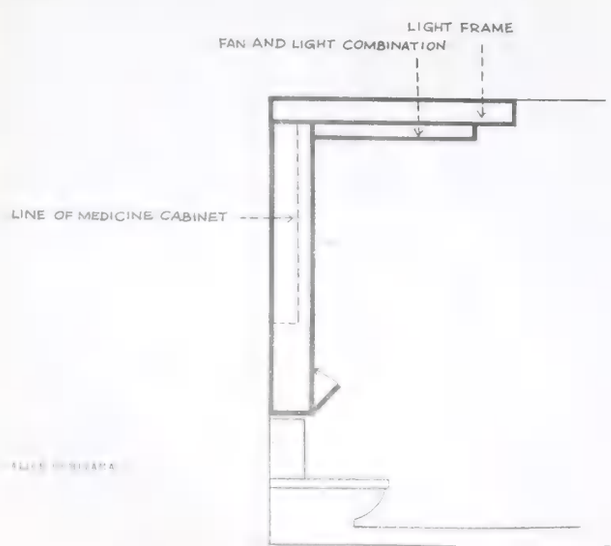
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HAROLD CORSINI



The wood-paneled bath—conventional fixtures surprisingly given a built-in disguise

An ingenious concept by Designer Robert Engelbrecht and Associates confers a built-in look on standard bathroom fixtures by Eljer. The ingenuity: a wall system, built of stock lumber pieces, shuttered doors, and a facing of Micarta. In one unit: storage shelves, mirror, lighting, ventilator, and a smooth cover-up for plumbing pipes. All-in-one, this screws into the wall over the toilet and lavatory, as the photograph and sketch at left show. Unit, tub frame, and wall are sheathed in the same plastic laminate of Ceylon teakwood —and an undistinguished bath acquires the dignity and mellowness of a paneled library.



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HANS VAN NES

Sybarite's dream—a bathing niche, a sunken bath, and sweet-smelling things right at hand

Sheer luxury, epitomized in the step-down tub, the spacious ledges for pretty things and cushy towels, and the long, built-into-the-wall niche which puts within hand's reach the soaps, the oils, the perfumed whatevers that add to a bather's delight—a not-too-old idea that's fast becoming part of every well-designed bathroom. This is an almost all-tile bathroom designed by American Olean Tile Co., prettily color-schemed around the blue of bathroom fixtures by American Standard and wallpaper chinoiserie. (Its flowers and leaves suggested the towel colors.) Further spatial luxury: the twin lavatories set into a broad tile counter.



By HELEN McCULLY

Ambrosials in their original editions

GREAT AMERICAN DESSERTS

It was an American Indian who first crushed wild strawberries ("The wonder of all fruits growing naturally in these parts," wrote Roger Williams, founder of Rhode Island.) to make Strawberry Bread, thus inspiring pioneer women to make Strawberry Shortcake. The pie, per se, is not American, not even the apple, but it was an imaginative American housewife who first piled meringue on top of her lemon pie, who first used maple syrup, which *is* American, to make a mousse, and who turned squash (nativity unknown) into punkin' pie. Southern cooks contributed sweet lime pie, pecan pie, and possibly Angel Cake. Pecans, natives of America, came north only after the Civil War. The Yankee cooks created Indian Pudding and "cooked" the beautiful blueberry in so many beautiful ways. Now, enjoy and take pride, as we do, in this limited edition of American desserts.

Photograph by Richard Jeffery against a detail of a flag painting by Cliff Condak

Rich Strawberry Shortcake

Way back in 1896 when the first "Fannie Farmer" turned up in the bookstores, shortcake was a gorgeously rich "biscuit" dessert—a far cry from the sponge-cake version one meets nowadays.

½ cup (1 stick) butter
2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
¼ cup sugar
4 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
Few grains freshly grated nutmeg
2 egg yolks, lightly beaten
⅓ cup milk
2 pints or 4 cups ripe strawberries
1 cup heavy cream

Butter an 8-inch round cake pan and set aside.

Combine all the dry ingredients in a generous bowl and mix together well. Add the remaining butter, cut into chunks, and work into the flour with a pastry blender until the mixture looks mealy. Stir in the yolks and milk with a fork until well mixed. Don't attempt to beat the batter smooth. Spoon into the prepared pan and smooth the top with a metal spatula.

Bake in a preheated 450° oven for 12 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out dry. That is, without any batter clinging to it. Cool on a cake rack.

Since the strawberry filling is inclined to soak into the cake, it is best to fill the cake and finish it shortly before serving. While the cake cools, wash the strawberries, then drain and dry thoroughly. Hold out half a dozen or so of the handsomest, then hull and slice or crush the remainder. Sweeten with superfine sugar to taste. Cut the shortcake in half, crosswise. Spread the strawberries over the bottom layer. Whip the cream until it holds firm peaks; spoon it over the top of the shortcake and garnish with whole strawberries. Whisk it to the table at once.

Strawberry Pastry Cake

In the old days, many a good cook made up a recipe of her very best pastry, baked it in large round "leaves," layered the leaves with fresh strawberries, lightly sweetened, and finished it with whipped cream. A very elegant interpretation of our great American dessert.

1 recipe good rich pastry
Fresh strawberries
1 cup heavy cream

Roll out the pastry about ⅛ inch thick in circles approximately 8 inches in diameter. Roll up on the rolling pin, center over the bottom of an 8-inch cake pan, then unroll. With a sharp knife, cut off any surplus dough that hangs over the edge. Make as many layers as you like, but no less than three. Bake in a preheated 350° oven for 10 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Slide onto a cake rack, taking great care not to break them, and allow to cool.

Prepare the strawberries (see Rich Strawberry Shortcake, above) and set aside. The quantity of strawberries depends on the number of layers of pastry. Figure on about 2 cups for 3 layers. Immediately before serving, layer the pastry with the strawberries, finish the top with whipped cream, and garnish with the reserved berries.

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Great American desserts

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Mary Turntine's Pecan Pie

Mrs. Turntine, once housekeeper to Composer-Conductor Gunther Schuller, now plays the same role at the Eugene Cooks' in New York. How Mrs. Cook (she is the great opera star, Phyllis Curtin) keeps her lovely figure with this sort of delicious stuff coming out of the kitchen is mystifying.

Pastry for a 9-inch, 1-crust pie
3 eggs
½ cup light brown sugar
1 cup, less 2 tablespoons, light Karo syrup
4 tablespoons (½ stick) butter, melted
1 teaspoon vanilla
Two 3-ounce bags whole pecans, about

Once the pastry is rolled, fitted into the piepan, and crimped, refrigerate.

Combine all remaining ingredients *except the pecans* in a generous bowl and beat vigorously with a rotary beater until well mixed. Set aside while you place the pecans in concentric circles, fairly close together, in the bottom of the pie shell. Spoon the filling over the pecans carefully, disturbing them as little as possible. They float to the top, by the way, but look prettier if they are somewhat symmetrical.

Place the filled pie in a preheated 250° oven for about 25 minutes, or until the mixture shows bubbles on the surface. Increase the heat to 300° and continue baking another 20 minutes. A total of 45 minutes. Place the pie pan on a wire rack to cool. Do not refrigerate.

Angel Cake with Lemon Glaze

1 cup sifted cake flour
1½ cups egg whites (about 12)
¼ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
1½ cups sugar
Grated rind 1 lemon
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Sift the flour three more times, then set aside.

Place the egg whites in the bowl of the electric mixer or a 3- to 4-quart bowl. Add the salt, and beat with the mixer or an electric beater until foamy. Sprinkle the cream of tartar over the surface of the whites and continue beating until they form firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up. Add the sugar, no more than 4 tablespoons at a time, and fold it in gently but thoroughly with a rubber spatula. When the last of the sugar has been added, fold in the lemon rind and juice.

Sift *about ¼ of the flour* over the entire surface of the mixture and fold in with a rubber spatula. Continue adding the flour and folding until all is used. One point to remember in making Angel Cake is that you must not overmix; still you must make certain no patches of flour remain.

Pour into a 10-inch tube pan (preferably one with "legs") and bake in a preheated 375° oven for 35 to 40 minutes, or until the cake springs back when pressed gently with your finger. Remove from the oven, invert over a wire rack, and allow the cake to "hang" until completely cold. If the pan does not have legs, place tube over the neck of a funnel or bottle so that the pan is suspended. When cold, loosen edges with a spatula and give the pan a good bang on the counter to help cake to drop out.

To glaze: Beat 1 egg yolk well. Stir in 2 tablespoons butter, melted, the juice of 1 lemon, and ½ cup sifted confectioners sugar. Stir until smooth. Spread a thin layer over the top of the Angel Cake with a knife and allow some of the glaze to dribble down the sides. Allow to stand at room temperature until cold.

To serve, Angel Cake must be "cut" by pulling the pieces apart with two silver forks. Best eaten the day it is baked.

Indian Pudding

In a very early edition of *The White House Cook Book*, the author gives no fewer than six versions of this old New England dish: with and without eggs; two "boiled" versions; a variation called "puffs"; and one designated as "delicate." The sauce suggestions include hard sauce, wine sauce, butter and maple syrup, butter, wine and nutmeg, and lemon sauce. Today it is generally served with heavy cream or vanilla ice cream.

5 cups milk
⅓ cup corn meal
2 tablespoons butter
¼ cup molasses
¼ cup brown sugar, packed
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon ground ginger

Pour the milk into the top of a double boiler and heat over hot water. When hot, stir in the corn meal. Cook over simmering water, stirring frequently, for 10 minutes. Stir in all remaining ingredients. Cook another 10 minutes. Pour into a 1-quart ovenproof casserole that can go to the table, and bake in a preheated 275° oven for 2 hours. Serve warm.

Lemon Meringue Pie

It seems likely that the Lemon Meringue Pie is an American innovation, but there is little question that the English made lemon or perhaps lime pies very early in their history.

One 9-inch baked pie shell
1½ cups sugar
5 tablespoons flour
Salt
4 eggs, separated
Grated rind 1 lemon
Juice 2 lemons

Combine *1 cup of the sugar*, the flour, and a good pinch of salt together in the top of a double boiler. Stir in *1 cup boiling water* and cook over direct heat, stirring constantly, until thick. Beat the egg yolks slightly and add the hot sugar mixture to the yolks, very slowly, beating constantly and hard. Pour back into the top of the double boiler and cook over simmering water until very thick and heavy as mayonnaise. Take off the heat, stir in the lemon juice and rind. Set aside to cool. When cold, pour into the baked pie shell.

Add a big pinch of salt to the whites, then beat with a rotary or electric beater until they hold a shape. Add the remaining sugar gradually, beating constantly, until the meringue holds firm, shiny points when you lift up the beater. Spoon the meringue over the top of the filling, spreading it to the very edge of the pastry.

Bake in a preheated 350° oven for 12 to 15 minutes or until the meringue is flecked with gold. Cool but do not refrigerate before serving.

Blueberry Schaum Torte

Blueberries, one of our most delicious and beautiful fruits, have a long tradition in American cooking. Long before the Pilgrims landed, the Indians were eating the wild berries, either fresh or dried. The fascinating recipe that follows is out of our Pennsylvania Dutch country—hence the "foreign" name. Schaum, of course, means fluff.

Vegetable shortening
6 egg whites
2 cups sugar
1½ teaspoons vanilla
2 teaspoons vinegar

Grease a 10-inch spring form pan thoroughly. Set aside.

Place the whites in a very large bowl or the bowl of the electric mixer and beat until the whites hold soft points. Add *1 cup of the sugar*, a few tablespoons at a time, beating constantly. Then add the vanilla and vinegar. Now begin to add the remainder of the sugar, in larger quantities, and continue beating until the meringue holds firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up.

Pour into the prepared pan and bake in a preheated 250° oven for 1 hour. Cool on a cake rack. When cold, run a metal spatula around the inside of the pan. Then, with the greatest care, release the spring. Place torte, still on the bottom, on a serving plate.

Sauce

4 cups fresh blueberries
1 cup sugar
Juice 1 orange

Combine all ingredients and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, for 5 minutes. Take off the heat and cool. Garnish the entire top of the torte with the sauce. Serve the remainder on the side.

Lady Baltimore Cake

Lady Baltimore, a novel by Owen Wister, laid in Charleston, was published in 1906. By a series of circumlocutions that would stagger a modern writer, Wister was able to make a cake one of the principal characters. The confection became enormously popular overnight and immortalized Charleston's Lady Baltimore Tea Room, where it was served. The following recipe was adapted from one published in *Charleston Receipts*, a book of recipes collected by the Junior League of Charleston. Available through Charleston Receipts, $3.75 postpaid. P.O. Box 177, Charleston, South Carolina.

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By Nan Ickeringill

A coolness of punches

Ten ways to fill the bowl with pleasure

When the heat is so intense your sunglasses seem to be wilting, with humidity so high it would wring tears from stone statues—and guests are expected—it's time for a punch. Not the boxing variety (though a knock-out might give some relief from the heat) but a nice, icy concoction to be consumed in some quantity under the sun, or as it passes over the yardarm.

Punch is easy on guests, who don't have to wait while the host mixes a variety of complicated concoctions. And it is easy on the host, who has already done the necessary relatively abbreviated mixing.

A punch can land gently on the stomach or it can have the impact of a lethal body blow. It can cool the body or dull the mind. It all depends on the amount of alcohol it contains.

But since a hot-weather punch is something to be consumed by thirsty people, and since only the mixer knows its strength, it is often kinder to guests not to be as generous as instinct suggests. Moderation, as usual, is the byword, and flavor is the guide. Proportions in any recipe can, of course, be varied slightly to suit the temperature and the mood.

Mixing a punch may seem like an opportunity to work out artistic frustrations by taking the abstract approach and splashing in a little of this and a little of that. It may also seem like a good chance to use up some of those odds and ends in the liquor cabinet. But the outcome in either case can be so many flavors that there is no flavor at all.

Garnishes offer an even greater outlet for artistry, and sometimes it is necessary to remind ourselves that punches are for drinking, not eating. A limit of two strong but harmonious flavors plus some less bold mixers, and two garnishes, seems a good rule—for occasional breaking.

Keeping punch cold but not washed out is best achieved by refrigerating ingredients until the last minute, then using a big block of ice instead of cubes in the punch bowl. Carbonated beverages, such as champagne or soda, should not be added until the last minute, so that as few bubbles as possible vanish into thin air.

The recipes that follow vary in alcoholic content. The lighter ones are ideal for serving with brunch, or in mid-afternoon when the heat is still intense. The stronger ones are better for evenings, when a cool breeze lends a little life to the atmosphere.

Since sweetness begets more thirst, most of the punches are relatively on the dry side. If this doesn't suit your taste, add a little more of either liqueur or sugar syrup (made by boiling together one cup sugar and one cup water) to taste.

The number of servings listed is based on the assumption that each person will consume eight ounces. If your guests are extra-thirsty types or the punch is served after a hard tennis match, it might be a good idea to adjust quantities accordingly. The simplest garnishes are suggested.

Tipsy Tutti-Frutti

A not-too-punchy concoction that might be called nectar if the gods believed in alcohol. It is like consuming a deliciously perfumed liquid fruit compote.

3 cups unsweetened apple juice
3 cups orange juice (frozen, reconstituted)
3 cups grapefruit juice (frozen, reconstituted)
1½ cups gin
¾ cup Grand Marnier (or other orange brandy)
¾ cup Grenadine (fruit syrup)
⅓ cup lemon juice, or to taste

Mix chilled ingredients and pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl.

Makes 10 servings.

Pink Russian

A curiously refreshing concoction, well suited to any hour of a warm summer day.

1 fifth vodka
5 cups cranberry juice
4 10-ounce bottles bitter lemon

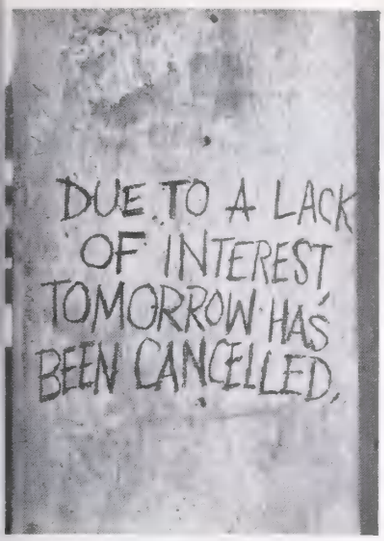
Mix chilled ingredients just before serving. Pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. Float lemon slices on surface.

Makes 12 servings.

Orange Blossom

A punch that might grace a midsummer wedding or a light Sunday brunch.

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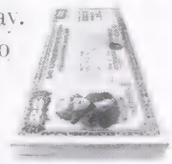
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3 fifths extra-dry champagne (French or naturally fermented California)
4½ cups orange juice (frozen, reconstituted—use soda water for extra-bubbly punch)
1 cup curaçao (or other orange brandy)

Mix chilled ingredients just before serving. Pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. Float lemon and orange slices on surface.

Makes 15 servings.

Midnight Matador

Not bad at midday, either, if the day isn't a scorcher.

1 fifth Amontillado sherry (Spanish)
½ fifth vodka
6 cups grapefruit juice (frozen, reconstituted)

Mix chilled ingredients and pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. Float orange slices on surface.

Makes 10 servings.

Southern Lemon-Lime

This is really tart. If desired, add sugar syrup to taste, or orange brandy, or grenadine.

1 fifth bourbon
1½ cups lemon juice
1½ cups sweetened lime juice (Daiquiri mix)
3 pints soda water, or to taste

Mix chilled ingredients, adding soda water at the last minute. Pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. Decorate with sprigs of mint dipped in powdered sugar.

Makes 12 servings.

Claret Punch

Somewhat different from the now ubiquitous Sangria, it uses pineapple juice instead of orange juice.

2 fifths red wine (preferably Bordeaux)
4 cups unsweetened pineapple juice
½ cup lemon juice
¼ cup Benedictine (or an orange brandy)
1 pint soda water

Mix chilled ingredients, adding soda water at the last minute. Pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. Float lemon slices on surface.

Makes 12 servings.

Rum Punch

A slightly different approach to the rum-based mixtures so popular at island resorts.

1 fifth rum
8 cups pineapple juice
1 cup Cherry Heering
½ cup lemon juice, or more to taste

Mix chilled ingredients and pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. If desired, garnish with pineapple, orange or lemon slices, and cherries.

Makes 12 servings.

Loch Ness Monster

Here's one for Scotch lovers with nothing much to do for the rest of the day.

1 fifth Scotch whisky
1 cup Drambuie
1 cup lemon juice, or to taste
1 quart soda water (or more if one is afraid of monsters)

Mix chilled ingredients, adding soda water at the last minute. Pour over large block of ice in a punch bowl. If desired, garnish with twists of lemon peel or curls of cucumber rind.

Makes 10 servings.

Kaffeeklatsch

For those who want to persuade themselves they are imbibing a simple, after-dinner coffee.

3 pints strong brewed coffee
1 cup coffee liqueur (Kahlua, Tia Maria, etc.)
1 cup anisette
½ cup lemon juice, optional

Mix chilled ingredients and pour over block of ice in a punch bowl.

Makes 8 servings.

Artillery Punch

The only "classic" punch listed, it hits like rapid rifle fire.

1 fifth blended whiskey
1 fifth red wine
1 pint rum
½ pint gin
½ pint brandy
¼ cup Benedictine
4 cups strong brewed tea
2 cups orange juice (frozen, reconstituted)
1 cup lemon juice

Mix ingredients and let stand two hours to "ripen." Pour over a block of ice in a punch bowl—and good luck!

Makes 16 servings. ■

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my heart belongs to daddy

The remarkable floribunda

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with the beginning of the era, following the Second World War, during which economics and other factors have made small gardens fashionable. It could be that nature anticipated this change by providing at this point in time the floribunda-hybrid-tea-type roses that possessed qualities suitable for small gardens. These changed conditions have, in fact, made it necessary to reconsider how roses should be used.

Perhaps one of the greatest changes that has taken place is the disappearance to a large extent of those lovely formal rose gardens of former days. If roses are still to be enjoyed in small gardens, it is necessary to employ them in less space-consuming ways by planting them, for example, in shrub borders where the more informal appearance of the floribunda compared with hybrid teas makes them admirable for the purpose.

All-season color

Another important characteristic required in plants for restricted areas is an everblooming habit. In any well-designed garden, whatever the size, there should be a succession of color during the whole summer—a quality that was assured in the old type of garden by using plants that had different flowering seasons. Space nowadays does not allow this, but hybrid-tea-type floribundas provide an excellent replacement. They can, correctly pruned, give color all summer without occupying a lot of room. They also combine the grace of the hybrid tea rose blooms with the colorful cluster effect of the typical floribunda—a good compromise where both types can now grow side by side comfortably.

There are several other qualities that floribunda roses possess. Many of them display, for example, good resistance to rain and the fading effects of the sun and, while this statement must be accepted with some reserve, there is some evidence that they are less susceptible to disease than their older counterparts. Perhaps of the greatest interest to small garden owners, who find the vigor of most modern hybrid tea roses something of an embarrassment, is the fact that there appears to be a greater number of modest growers among the new floribunda roses. An example of these is the orange-scarlet colored Ginger, which has lovely full blooms reaching four inches in diameter, each with 25 to 30 petals, on plants 2½′ to three feet tall.

The Fashion

The late Eugene S. Boerner, Director of Research for the Jackson and Perkins Co., with great skill and patience engineered this change in roses by breeding Fashion. A graduate in horticulture and floriculture, he was also responsible for breeding some 80 new varieties of chrysanthemum, delphinium, and other perennials. But his greatest achievement was the creation of 160 rose varieties—no mean accomplishment in the space of a working lifetime. Five of his floribunda roses—Fashion, Spartan, Masquerade, Vogue, and Goldilocks—received 16 international awards among them—and Mr. Boerner got both Fashion and Vogue from the same seed pod.

After Mr. Boerner's death in 1966, Jackson and Perkins dedicated a memorial rose garden in his honor, constructed within the precincts of their demonstration rose garden in Newark, New York. In this are planted the most famous of Boerner's introductions. As a further tribute, his former colleagues have introduced a new floribunda, Gene Boerner, which has been named an All-American Rose Selection for 1969—the greatest honor that any rose can receive in the United States. It is a very lovely rose with large delicately perfumed blooms of the most delicious pink attractively contrasted with the freshness of its light-green foliage. As exquisite as this one rose may be, his lasting monument will be found in the multitude of gardens throughout the world where there are millions of the progeny of Fashion.

Some of the most beautiful of our present-day floribunda roses can claim that they have the superb creation of Fashion in their ancestry. Besides the varieties already mentioned, these include Comanche, Woburn Abbey, Junior Miss, Seventeen, Ivory Fashion, Fashionette, Gay Princess, The Farmer's Wife, Apricot Nectar, Crown Jewel, Canadian Centennial, Bridal Pink, Spanish Sun, Fire King, Polka, Zambra.

All floribunda roses that have won the American Rose Society's highest award, the Gold Certificate, are in the Fashion family—Vogue, Spartan, Frensham, and, of course, Fashion. Its latest descendant to win high honor is First Prize, the only 1970 All-



American Rose Selections winner. First Prize is more hybrid tea than floribunda, but it represents Fashion's great influence in rose breeding. First Prize opens from a long, pointed bud of dark rose-red to a large show-type bloom that is a blend of rose-pink and ivory. It grew from Mr. Boerner's 1960 seedling crop and bushes will be available for planting this fall.

If you wish to plant floribunda roses in your garden for bloom this year, it is likely that your local garden center or nursery will have container-grown plants available for planting now. The advantage of buying at this season is that most bushes will be in bloom, enabling selection of the exact colors desired. If you transplant carefully and provide plenty of water, container-grown floribundas planted now will keep blooming until frost.

There are no secrets about proper pruning of floribundas, but it does pay to prune them lighter (leave more canes) in the spring than you would a hybrid tea. Promptly remove spent flowers, cutting below the cluster of bloom, down to vigorous leaf growth where new eyes are breaking. When cutting floribundas for the house it is best not to take too long a stem; leave plenty of healthy foliage. ■

Great American desserts

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½ cup (1 stick) butter
2 cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
1¼ cups sugar
¾ cup milk
1 teaspoon almond extract
3 egg whites

Butter two 8-inch cake pans and set aside. Sift the flour, baking powder, and salt together three times. Set aside, too.

Cream the remaining butter with your hands, electric beater, or in an electric mixer until soft. Work in the sugar gradually and continue creaming until mixture is very fluffy. Stir in the flour mixture alternately with the milk, in small quantities. Add the almond extract.

Beat the egg whites until they hold firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up. Fold into the batter carefully but thoroughly. Pour into the prepared pans and bake in a preheated 375° oven for 20 to 25 minutes or until the cakes shrink slightly from sides of pan. Cool for a few minutes, then turn out on cake racks to cool thoroughly.

Icing and filling:

1 cup seedless raisins, coarsely chopped
1 cup walnuts, coarsely chopped
½ cup sherry
2 cups sugar
2 egg whites
¼ teaspoon cream of tartar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon almond extract

Soak the raisins and nuts in the sherry overnight. Then drain thoroughly.

The following day combine the sugar with ½ *cup water*. Bring to a boil, then cook until the syrup "spins a thread" (220° to 225° on candy thermometer). Meanwhile beat the egg whites with the cream of tartar until they stand in soft peaks. Add the syrup slowly in a steady stream, beating constantly. Continue beating until the frosting stands in firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up. Stir in lemon juice, almond extract, raisins, and nuts. Spread between layers, around sides, and over top of the cake.

Maple Walnut Mousse

Maple syrup (the government, for some reason that escapes everybody, spells it sirup) is one of the few "crops" that is solely American. And we, the newcomers to this continent, learned maple "syruping" from the Indians who, incidentally, called it *sinzibuckwud*, meaning "drawn from the wood." Maple syrup has colored our cooking ever since. Over buckwheat cakes, to make frostings, fudge, and ice creams, as an ingredient in ginger bread, as a sauce over ice cream, to make pie, baked maple dumplings, and to concoct this extraordinarily delicious mousse.

½ cup pure maple syrup
2 eggs
Good pinch salt
1 cup heavy cream
1 cup walnuts or pecans, coarsely chopped

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Heat the maple syrup over low heat until beads appear around the edge of the syrup. Meanwhile, separate the eggs, placing the yolks in the top of a double boiler, the whites in a large bowl. Beat the yolks lightly, then add the hot syrup in a low, steady stream, beating constantly. Place over simmering water and cook, beating constantly with a rotary or electric beater, until the mixture about triples in volume—5 to 8 minutes. Cool.

Beat the whites and the salt until they stand in peaks when the beater is held straight up. Beat heavy cream until stiff. Combine the maple mixture, whites, cream, and nuts. Fold carefully with a rubber spatula until well mixed. Pour into a large ice-cube tray and freeze about 1½ hours, or until firm. Will serve about 6.

Boston Cream Pie

Whether the true Boston Cream Pie is made with a filling of sweetened whipped cream or a custard is debatable. In the 1896 version of "Fannie Farmer," published in Boston, there is a Cream Pie finished with a custard filling, but not designated as "Boston." But there is, as there is in an early edition of *The White House Cook Book*, a Washington Pie that is the same basic pie finished, however, with raspberry jam or jelly between the layers and a sprinkling of confectioners sugar on top. Here is a recipe for the pie, which is actually a cake (sometimes called Boston Cream Cake), and a recipe for a custard. So call it what you will and fill it as you like.

Cake

5 tablespoons (⅓ cup) butter
1½ cups sifted cake flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
¾ cup sugar
2 eggs
½ cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Butter two 8-inch cake pans well; sift flour with baking powder and salt. Set both aside.

Cream or work remaining butter with your hands or an electric beater until soft and light. Gradually work in the sugar, beating constantly. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating hard after each addition. Add the flour and milk alternately, beginning and ending with flour. Stir in the vanilla.

Divide the batter between the two prepared pans and bake in a preheated 375° oven for 25 minutes, or until cakes pull away from the sides of the pans slightly. After about 10 minutes, turn out onto cake racks and cool.

Custard Filling

1 cup half and half or light cream
¼ cup sugar
3 tablespoons flour
Dash salt
2 egg yolks
½ teaspoon vanilla
Confectioners sugar

Heat the milk until a film shines on top. Take off the heat.

Meanwhile, combine the sugar, flour, and salt in a large bowl. Stir in the hot milk until smooth.

Place the yolks in the top of a double boiler. Beat lightly, then slowly add the hot milk mixture, beating constantly. Cook over simmering water, stirring constantly, until the custard coats a spoon. Take off the heat, stir in the vanilla, and cool.

To finish, cover one layer of the "pie" with the custard; place second layer on top. Shower top generously with confectioners sugar.

Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Frosting

The interesting thing about the American chocolate cake is that its meaning varies all over the country. In some areas, white with chocolate frosting means chocolate cake; in others, chocolate with white frosting is called chocolate cake. Here is a chocolate cake with chocolate frosting and just about the best we ever ate.

½ cup (1 stick) butter
2 squares (1-ounce size) unsweetened chocolate
1 cup boiling water
2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
¼ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking soda
1¾ cups brown sugar, firmly packed
2 eggs
½ cup commercial sour cream
1 teaspoon vanilla

Butter a 9-by-5-by-3-inch loaf pan well and set aside.



By Barbara Reed

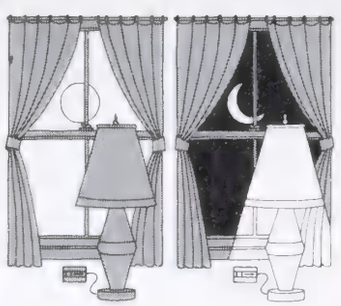
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Combine chocolate and boiling ater in a bowl and allow it to and until cool; sift flour, salt, id baking soda together.

Cream the remaining butter ith your hands or, better, the ectric beater until soft and ffy. Add the brown sugar grad-lly, beating mixture until very ght and creamy. Add the eggs, ie at a time, beating hard after ch addition. Then stir in the ur until smooth; next, the sour eam; and, last of all, the va-lla.

Pour the batter (you'll note it rather thin) into the prepared n and bake in a preheated 325° en for 50 to 60 minutes or until toothpick inserted in the center mes out dry. That is, without y of the mixture clinging to it. ol on a cake rack for about 5 inutes, then turn out and cool mpletely. Frost when cold.

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squares (1-ounce size) unsweetened chocolate
tablespoons butter
cup sifted confectioners sugar
egg, well beaten
teaspoon vanilla
cup milk

elt the chocolate over hot, *not iling*, water; cream the butter th your hands or an electric ater until soft. Stir in the sugar adually until smooth. Stir in egg, vanilla, chocolate, and ilk, and beat until creamy. ost sides, then the top.

y Lime Pie

ondensed milk." *The American ritage Cookbook* tells us, "was st produced in 1858, and after e Civil War proved to be a god-nd to the devastated South." In y West, Florida, it was not ly sorely needed but the in-iration for this famous recipe.

e 9-inch baked pie shell
eggs, separated
can (14 or 15 ounce) sweet-ened condensed milk*
cup fresh lime juice (about 6 limes)
tablespoons sugar

at the yolks and milk together. en beat in the lime juice until ooth. Pour into the baked pie ell. Beat the egg whites until they begin to hold a shape. Then gradually beat in the sugar. Continue beating until the meringue holds firm, shiny peaks when the beater is held straight up. Spoon the meringue over the filling to the very edge, touching the pastry all around.

Bake in a preheated 425° oven for 5 to 6 minutes, or until the meringue is flecked with gold. Cool before serving.

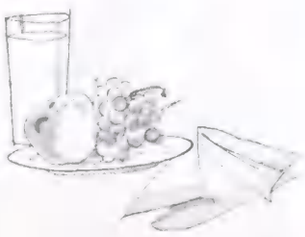
*Note well: Condensed milk is sweetened and should not be confused with evaporated milk, which is not.

Rich Squash Pie

Although we are all inclined to say "pumpkin" pie, the facts are the vegetable used to make a proper pumpkin pie is the rich Hubbard, a winter squash. It is not certain exactly where the squash family originated; what is certain is that it was well established in this country by the time the Pilgrims landed.

One unbaked 9-inch pie shell
3 eggs
1½ cups cooked squash (fresh, canned, or frozen)
1 cup heavy cream
¼ cup Cognac
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
½ teaspoon ginger
¼ teaspoon mace
½ teaspoon salt

Beat eggs slightly, stir in squash (if frozen, thawed), cream, and all remaining ingredients until smooth. Pour into the unbaked pie shell and bake in a preheated 450° oven for 10 minutes. Reduce oven heat to 300° and bake 45 to 50 minutes longer. Pie is cooked when a knife inserted in the custard near the edge comes out dry. That is, without any mixture clinging to it. The center may still "shiver," but the pie will be firm when cold. Cool. Do not refrigerate. Serve with or without whipped cream. ■



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The making of America's musical classics —the songs that are part of our mass memory and a look at what is happening now

Unlike the single-minded taste of earlier, simpler American times, today's popular musical scene is a candy store of taste influenced in turn by technology, personality, and the heritage of the past. But the people who are writing the songs that will become a part of America's mass musical memory do have one thing in common with the creators of the past—they have all written out of their own times and the spirit beneath them.

Stephen Foster wrote for a gentle pre-Civil War America. John Philip Sousa captured the nation's marching spirit of expansion. Victor Herbert voiced the oversentimental operetta-like life at the turn of the century. George M. Cohan caught the brash boastfulness on the eve of World War I. Irving Berlin the carefree, ragtime, lovetime of the twenties. Cole Porter matched his sophistication against the then new morality of the thirties, while Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart reflected the between-the-wars jaunty optimism.

In the mid-twenties, Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein focused on the problems simmering in the South with the brilliant *Showboat*. George and Ira Gershwin turned south to create that certain classic *Porgy and Bess* and then satirized silly politics with the Pulitzer Prize-winning *Of Thee I Sing*. Rodgers and Hammerstein joined talents during World War II to write *Oklahoma!*—the first musical to have its entire score recorded with the original cast. Their *South Pacific* reflected the more serious mood of the United States as the world's new leading power.

Bernstein's *West Side Story*, Richard Rodgers' *No Strings*, and Galt MacDermot's current *Hair*—all are attempts to create music out of our lives at the moment, just as the songs of Tim Hardin, Donovan, and Rod McKuen explore today's search for identity and means of communication.

Despite the current overriding drive to "tell it like it is because it's never been this way before," Simon and Garfunkel's "For Emily, Wherever I May Find Her," or Donovan's "Jennifer, Juniper," are subliminally related to Stephen Foster's "Oh! Susanna" or "Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair." And "Battle Hymn of the Republic" has its counterpart in Dylan's "Blowin' in the Wind."

"There's no incongruity between the music of George M. Cohan and today's popular songs," says Joel Grey, who is impersonating the composer-lyricist-song-and-dance man in the musical *George M.* "The producers were surprised that the teen-agers dug the Cohan music. They shouldn't have been. Although Cohan wasn't an accomplished musician, he wrote clean, simple, immediate melodies, and his lyrics say exactly what he wanted them to say. You just get out there and sing them."

Melody is the message

"The melody is the message when I sing American songs to the Japanese," says Bob McGrath, who has sung and recorded more Stephen Foster classics for the Japanese than the average American hears in a lifetime. "They translate the melody into their own feelings. 'Home on the Range' becomes a longing for home and mother rather than for the wide-open spaces of which they have no understanding. And on television they have me sing 'Old Dog Tray' to a pretty girl as a love song."

"Emotions don't change," says Mabel Mercer, who has the uncanny ability to recognize the

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potential classic song and rescue it from a too-swift demise. We can credit her with saving Rodgers and Hart's "Little Girl Blue" and Kern and Hammerstein's "All in Fun," among others. "I'm singing of the same emotions to youngsters today that I sang about to their parents and grandparents. The emotion is the same today when a love affair begins or ends as it was a hundred years ago. That's all I've been singing about for generations, and people listen. It touches them. They know it's true. It's the element of truth, I suppose, that makes a song a classic."

And what is the secret of a home-grown classic musical. *The Fantasticks*, a simple Romeo-and-Juliet-type story of two Texas families, written by two then University of Texas students? It has been playing off-Broadway and around the world for more than nine years. Harvey Schmidt, who wrote it with Tom Jones, explains, "We not only wrote it. We were totally involved in it. The painting of the inside of the theatre and designing the logo that hangs over the stage—we literally did that ourselves."

Simple lyrics, a melody that can speak in foreign tongue, the element of truth, personal involvement, and native roots—these are the elements that create the popular classic. These, and personal taste. There is as much disagreement about which songs of the past are classics as there is about which of today's songs will become classics. Some would even question if "The Star Spangled Banner" deserves classic rating. Admittedly difficult to perform and not for amateur singing, it has, however, met the classic's most demanding test: Despite thousands of poor renditions, hundreds of specialized interpretations, and relatively few inspired playings, it lives on and gathers fresh strength and meaning as it grows.

Motion pictures have been turning out music for America's mass-memory since the first movie classic, *Birth of a Nation*, in 1915. At one time it played in 27 cities with a full orchestra, sound effects and an original score. Silent movies had some popular theme songs, but with the coming of the all-singing, all-talking, all-dancing thirties, most of the composers went west. There were, too, musical movie-biographies of composers from Foster to Porter, and Victor Herbert's operettas were revived for Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy. Recently Hollywood imported Simon and Garfunkel to score *The Graduate* and Burt Bacharach for *What's New, Pussycat?* and *Casino Royale*. Any one of these, or a thousand other movies or musicals, could have launched a song that would become a classic.

Along with all this musicmaking came the rising tide of jazz with its strutting beat, its blues, its new freedom, its improvisation. Up from New Orleans it swept, with W. C. Handy's "St. Louis Blues," Fats Waller's "Honeysuckle Rose," Duke Ellington's "Sentimental Mood" and "Sophisticated Lady."

From "Yankee Doodle Dandy" to "Your Cheatin' Heart," America has sung its folk, its work, its country songs—"Comin' Round the Mountain," "Loveless Love," "Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah," "The Last Round-up," or "Tumblin' Tumble Weed." All classics, all a permanent part of Americana.

Following World War II a new excitement burst into American music—call it beat, rhythm-and-blues, or rock-and-roll. Elvis Presley was its king. The Beatles justifiably remain its high priests. But its star is sound—the recording studio—and amplified or augmented sound. To many ears it seemed to break with the past, and indeed it did.

But the break was more electronic than musical. The new music experimented wildly with marvelous new techniques for recording. Voices and instruments were no longer recorded with only true-to-life sound. They were amplified, augmented, distorted. First the guitar and piano were electrified. Now every musical instrument—reeds, horns, strings—can be augmented. They become different instruments, requiring different techniques. The sounds are different. Some have a wider range by two octaves. The act of recording has become an act of creation. Burt Bacharach says, "The recording session is the moment of truth in music today."

To maintain control over their creations, composers like Bacha-

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rach and Harvey Schmidt have taken up arranging. "The song that sounds great at the piano may bomb in the recording session." Bacharach warns. "Between piano and the session there are positively five elements that can blow a song for you. There's the A-and-R (artists and repertoire) man at the recording company, the arranger, the singer, the musicians, the engineer. If I can go into a session with the song, the singer, and every note of the arrangement accounted for, I've got a fair chance of survival. Maximum control is what you need today."

Although most of this sleight-of-ear trickery is admired by today's youngsters, it has a curious side effect on them, according to Ron Delsener, who stages the rock-and-roll concerts in New York's Central Park. "The kids today know about the recording studio. The echo chamber. The feedback. The electronic tricks. They hear a record by a new group with a new sound. They come out to see the group in person, to find out if the sound they heard on the record is true. If the group can't duplicate in person the sound they put on the record, they bomb."

About popular music, Burt Bacharach explains, "We're in a period where anything can go. There's always room for a positively good song like 'Strangers in the Night.' All the old rules have been broken. The taste-makers who held music down have been destroyed."

Bacharach tells how some of the rules were broken. "Seven years ago, when I first started writing 'That Kind of Woman,' it had a three-bar phrase in it. The A-and-R man at the record company suggested that I make it a standard four-bar phrase. I did, and it was recorded that way, and it never sounded right. It was never meant to be a four-bar phrase. When you're new, you tend to trust higher-ups. You compromise, and it comes out terrible. It used to be that you positively never wrote a waltz. 'What's New, Pussycat?' is a waltz. We don't even call it that. We say it's in 'three.' . . . It used to be disc jockeys positively wouldn't play a record that ran longer than three minutes. The underground stations fixed that. The Doors' 'Light My Fire' must run eight minutes, and 'MacArthur Park' a good seven-forty-eight. They both get played with no cuts. It used to be that the first thing you positively had to worry about in a song was: 'Can they dance it?' That's all over. 'Promises, Promises' changes tempo and time signatures and nobody worries about it. They'll find a way to dance to it if they want to."

Variety of styles

"The big difference in dance bands today and in my father's time," says Peter Duchin, the current king of society dance bands, "is that we have to be able to play in a variety of styles—rock, swing, the Beatles, jazz—as well as that sookey square dance music. We've had to learn to play each of the styles authentically because kids know what they're hearing."

What they are hearing, on the surface at least, is a melding of many styles of music. "We're starting to borrow on tradition," according to Bacharach. "There's a recognition of going back to music. *Casino Royale* isn't a full-out replica of the twenties but it is built on them. Things are starting to get fizzed together. You have some great jazz musicians like Neal Hefti and Charlie Lloyd out here on the Coast writing for the movies. Jazz and rock are getting together."

Duchin is more cautious of the jazz-rock fusion. "The jazz musician has very little public recognition today," he says regretfully. "Some jazz men take up rock just to work. That's if they have a feeling for it and if they're willing to play it. But jazz has changed, too. A jam session used to start with the whole group playing a given number—a song—and then each man would improvise on it. Today they get up there and each man plays whatever he feels. When and if they all come together—that's great!"

As the jazz and swing musicians of the thirties did, today's young musicians are starting to move from group to group in a game of pop-musical chairs. The reason, according to Ron Delsener, is, "The kids form these groups when they're fifteen, sixteen, seventeen. When they get a little musical maturity they get bored with that dumb teeny-bopper beat and

start looking to create new sounds with different people. They experiment with different combinations of instruments. Blood, Sweat and Tears uses horns and guitars and the Sweetwater group mixes flutes with cello."

Moment of transition

If anything goes in music today, no one is quite sure what goes in the musical theatre. "It's in a big moment of transition," according to Harvey Schmidt. "It still hasn't fulfilled itself. Nothing since *Porgy and Bess*, I suppose, has taken advantage of its full musical-dramatic potential. Right now everyone is doing what he has to do. *Hair* is a healthy thing. It has a definite style. Tom Jones and I reverted to a very personal style with *Celebration*. Tom directed it, and we tried it out in a studio to give us more control."

This much seems certain: In these swiftly changing times there is a greater chance of success with a musical that appears to be a period piece done in a contemporary manner—*Man of La Mancha* and *1776*—than with a contemporary story told in an old-fashioned way. In *Promises, Promises* Burt Bacharach combines the contemporary with the contemporary, and that works too.

Lyrically, to rhyme or not to rhyme seems not important. But the lyrics have changed. Their simple words are likely to have several shades of meaning. Rod McKuen, our current poet laureate, says, "There are only two reasons for writing a song: either to say something that's been said before but to say it so tastefully that no one will be offended." Meanwhile, "Dream the Impossible Dream" from *Man of La Mancha* and "Is Anybody There?" from *1776* not only rhyme but are brazenly inspiring.

The overriding problem of popular music today is how to assimilate *beat* with melody. Neither is about to disappear, so assimilate they must. The solution may lie in these two facts. Through constant exposure to all types of music on radio, television, and recordings, today's youngsters have acquired a surprising musical maturity, more sophisticated than former young generations and more contemporary than today's concert-going audiences. They are ready for the fusion of complex rhythms with fresh melodies. And tomorrow's composers will be equipped through training and technique and mastery of augmented sound to create a new, more mature popular music for this waiting audience.

In this very personal present where there are no rules in popular music except taste, and that itself is personal, each performer has his personal nominations for contemporary songs that will become tomorrow's classics. Here are some of the songs many feel may pass the test of time:

Simon and Garfunkel: Sounds of Silence; Scarborough Fair; For Emily, Wherever I May Find Her; Mrs. Robinson; The 59th Street Bridge Song.

The Beatles: Norwegian Wood; Eleanor Rigby; She's Leavin' Home; Here, There and Everywhere; Blackbird Fly.

Donovan: Goodgy Goodstreet; Jennifer Juniper.

Tim Hardin: If I Was A Carpenter; Black Sheep Boy; Don't Make Promises; The Lady Came From Baltimore.

Joni Mitchell: Both Sides Now.

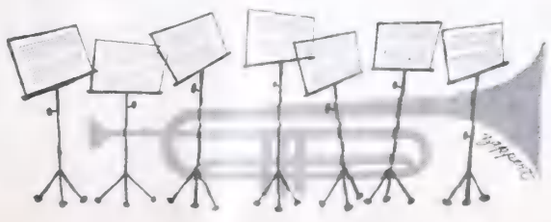
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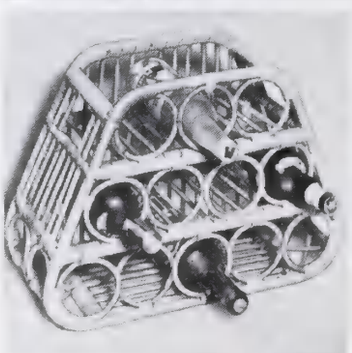
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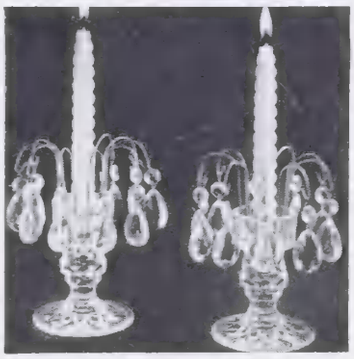
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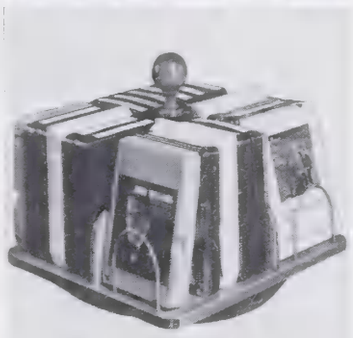
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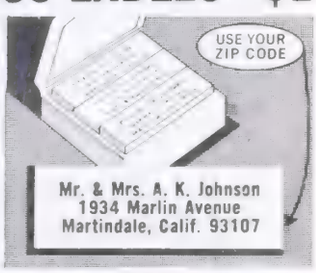


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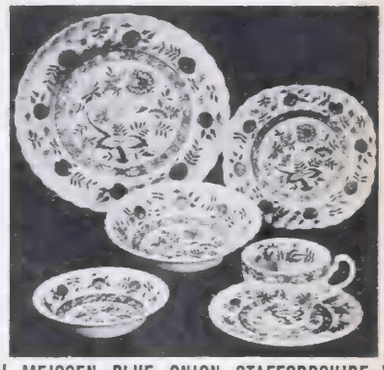
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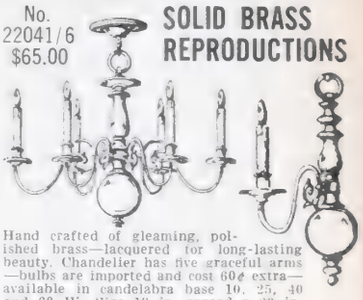
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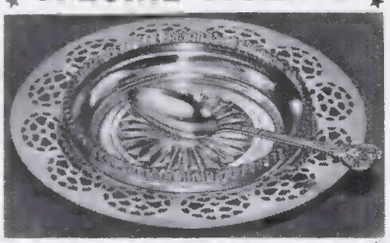
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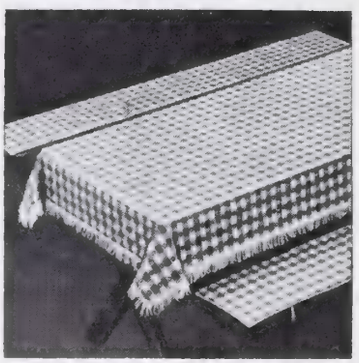
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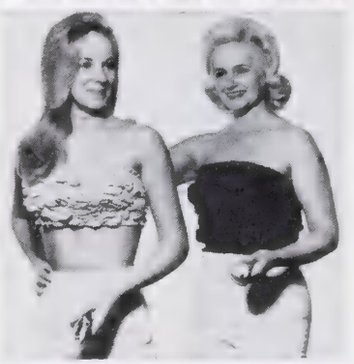
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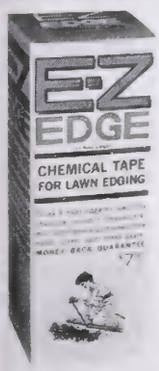
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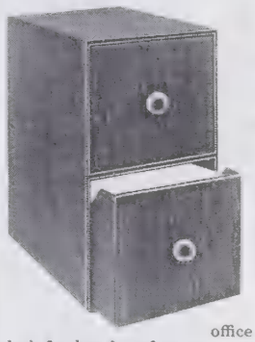


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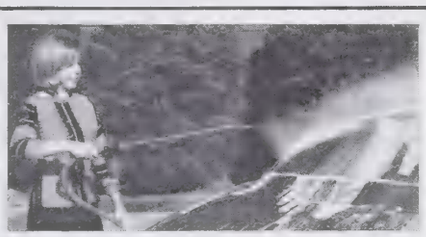


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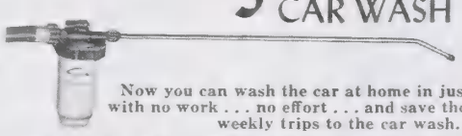
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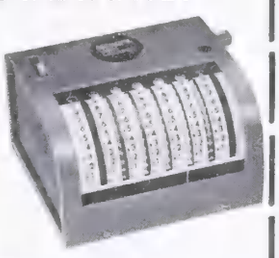
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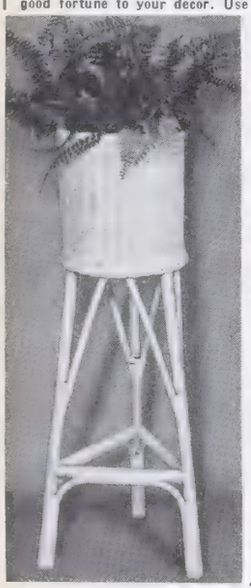
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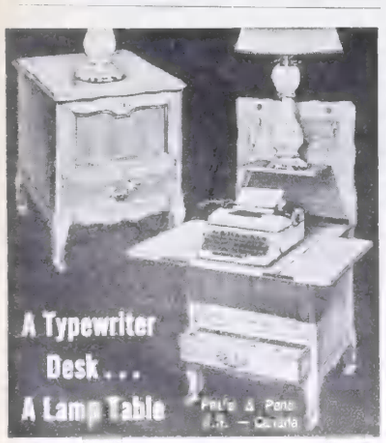
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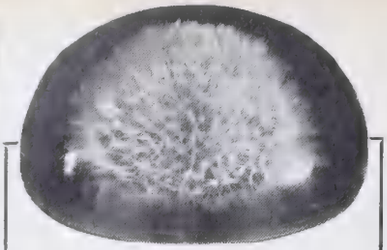


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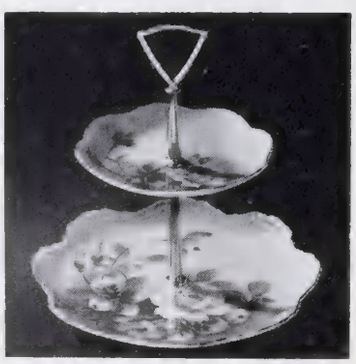
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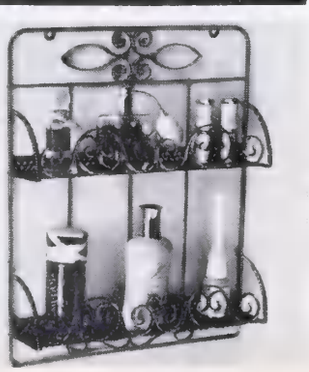
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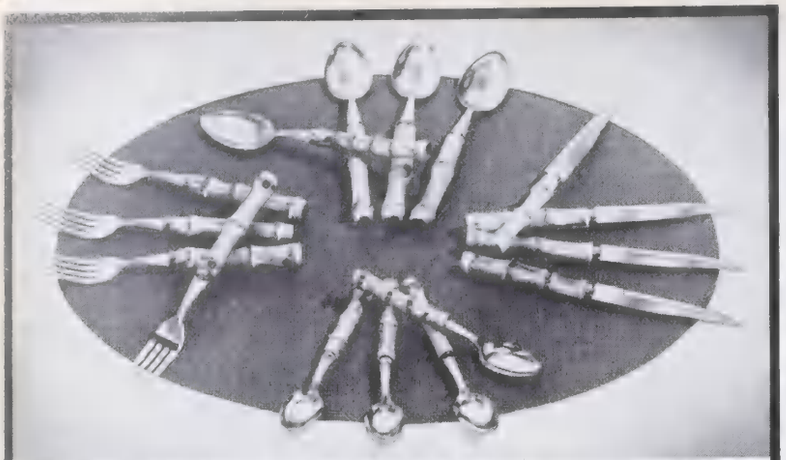
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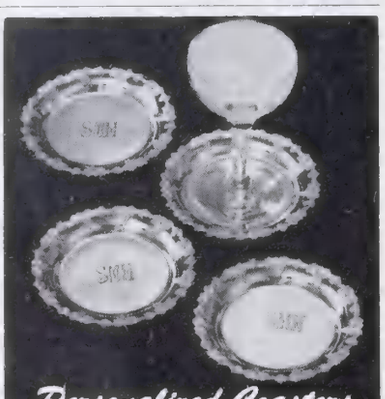


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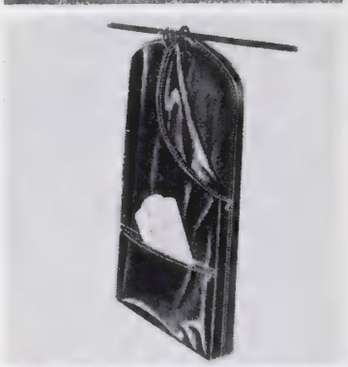
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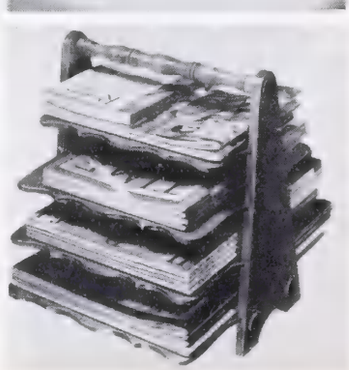












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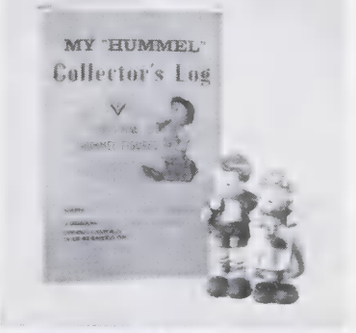
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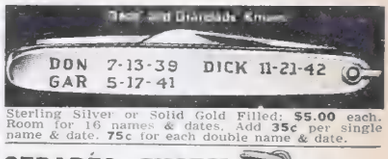
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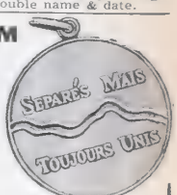


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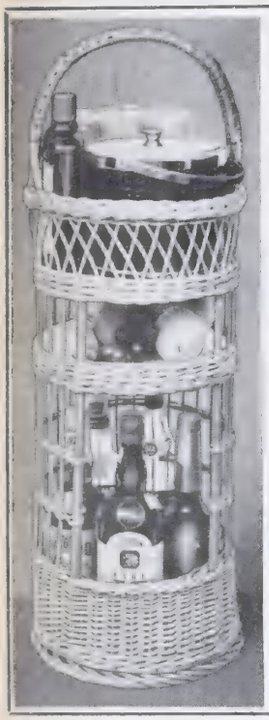
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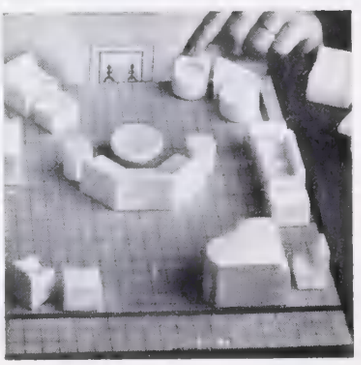
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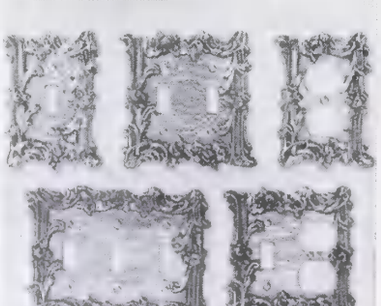
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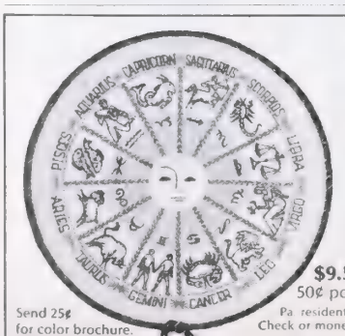
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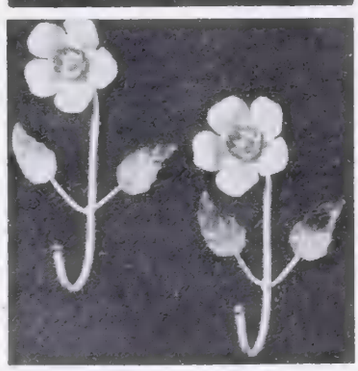
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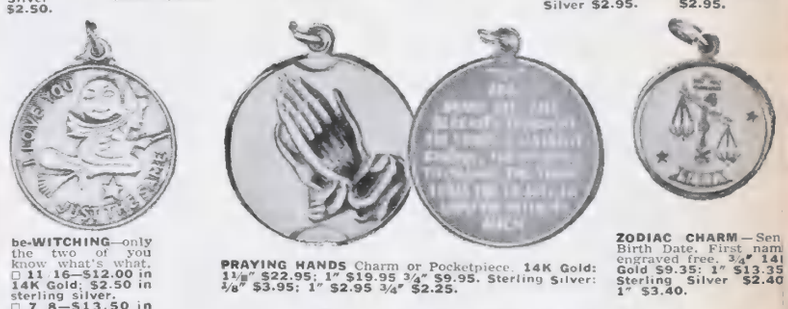
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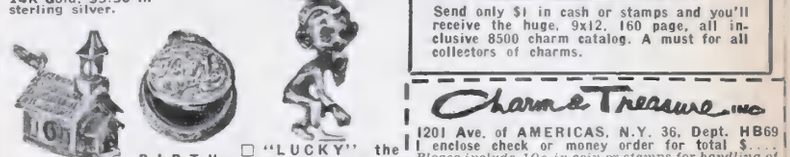
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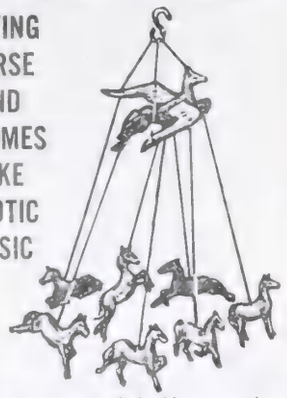
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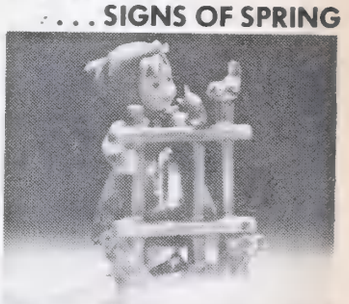
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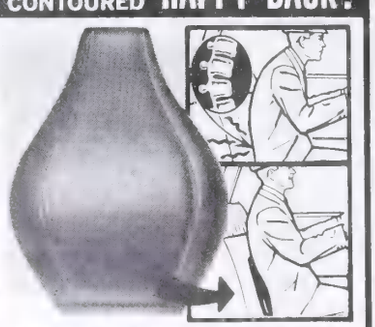


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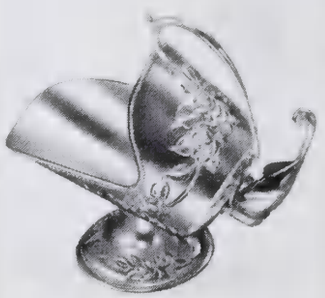
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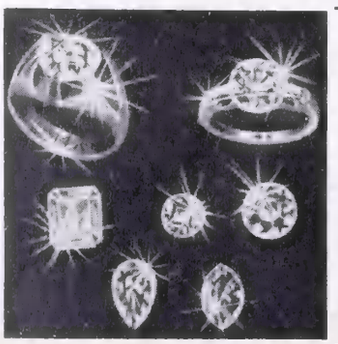
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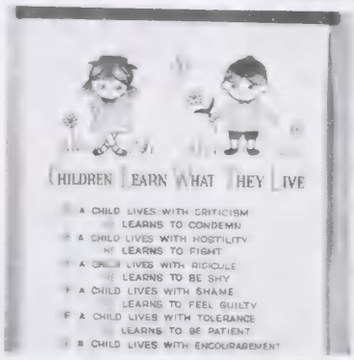
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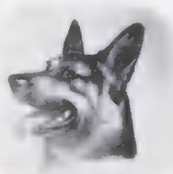
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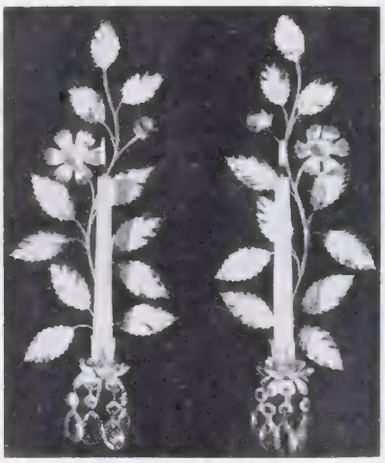
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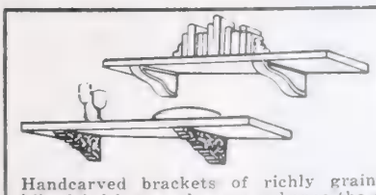
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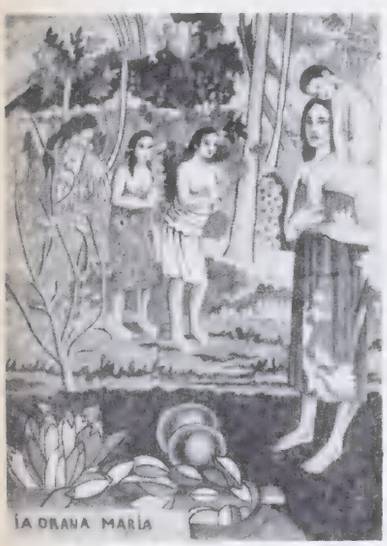
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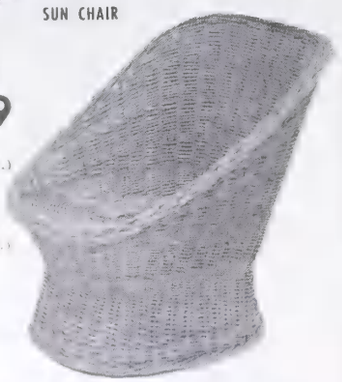
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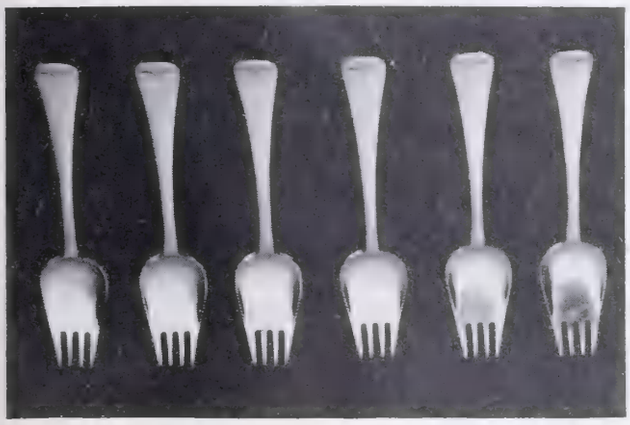


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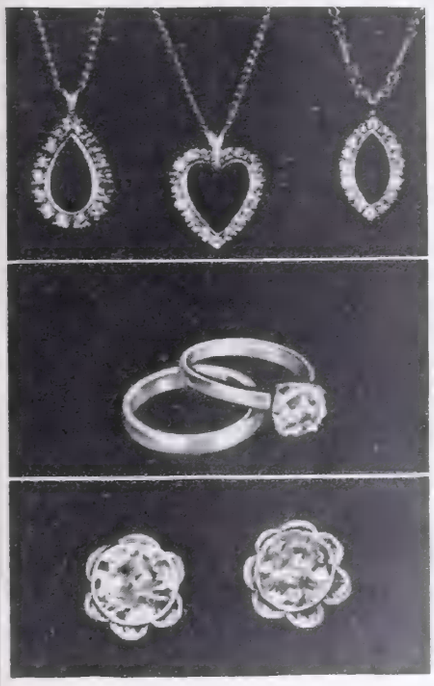


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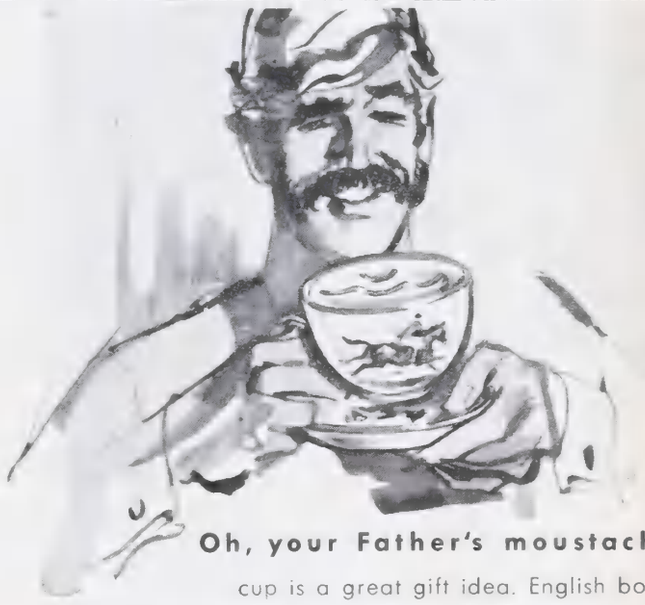
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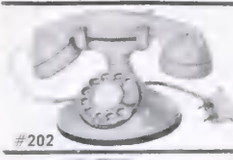
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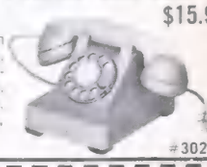


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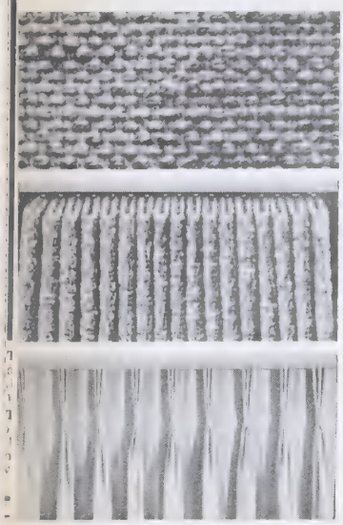
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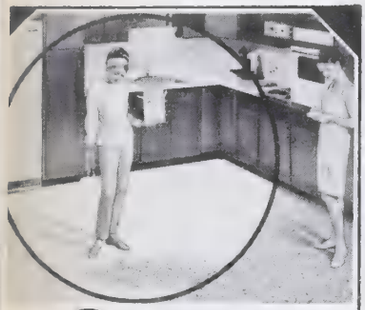
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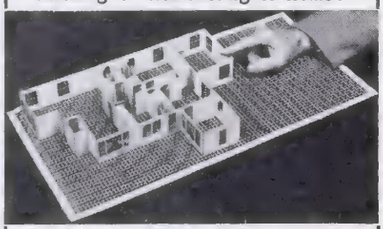


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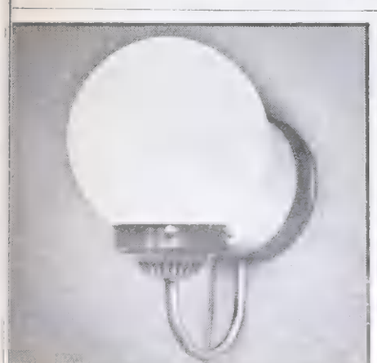
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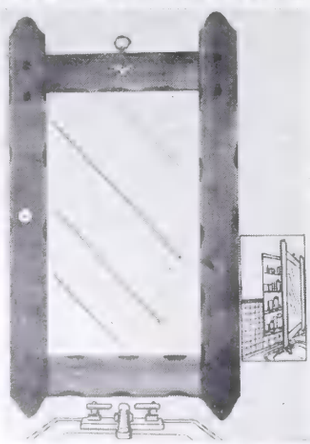
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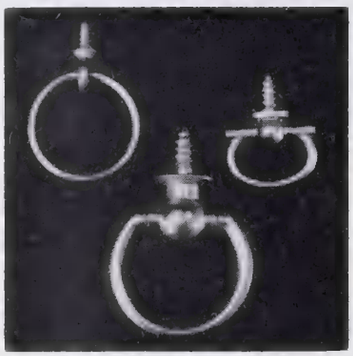
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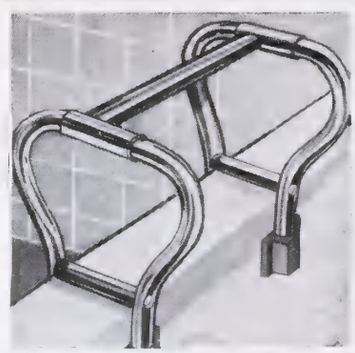
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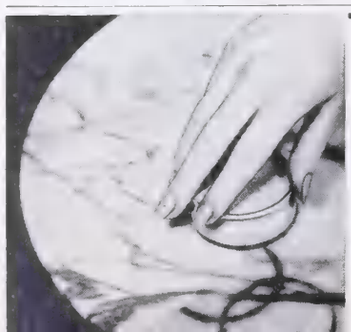
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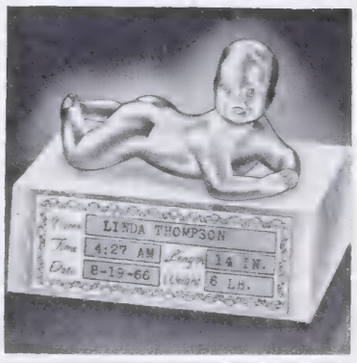
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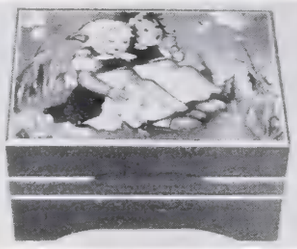


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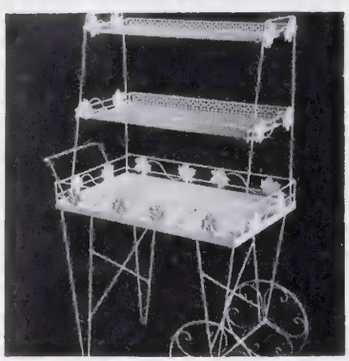
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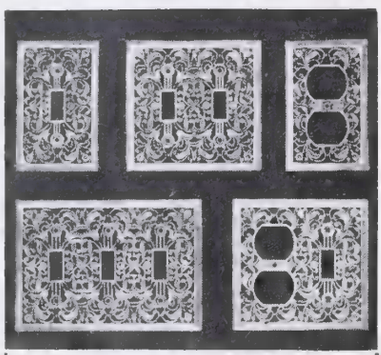
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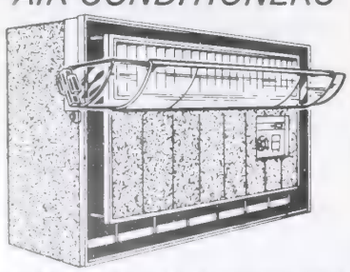
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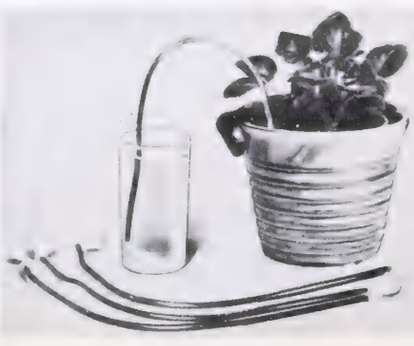
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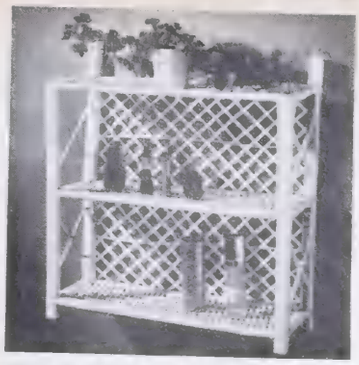
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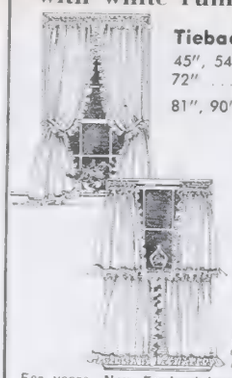
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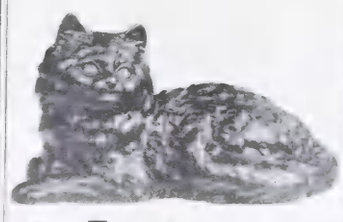
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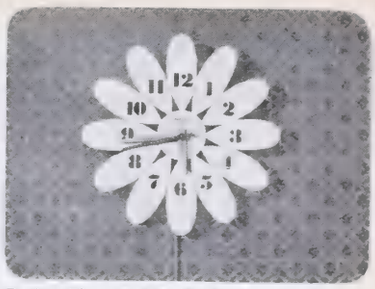
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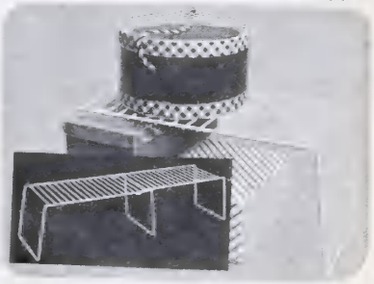
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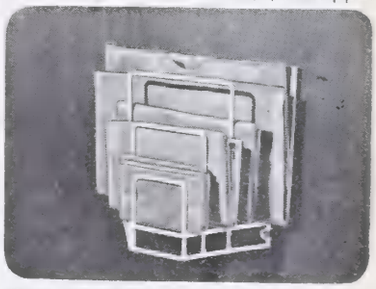
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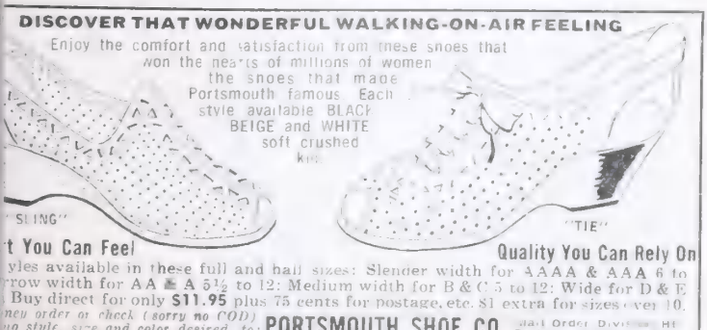
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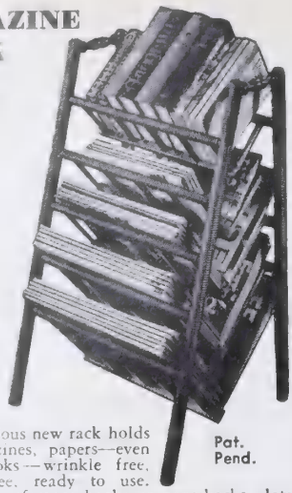
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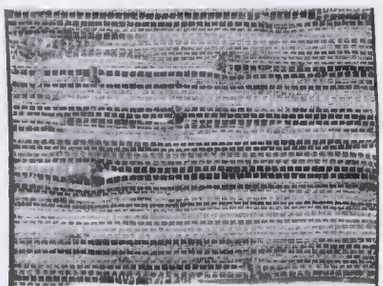
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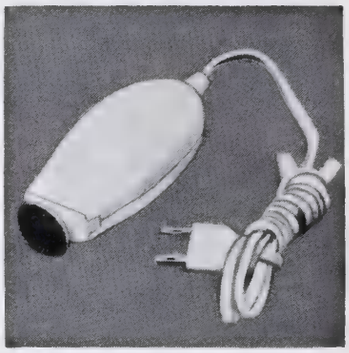


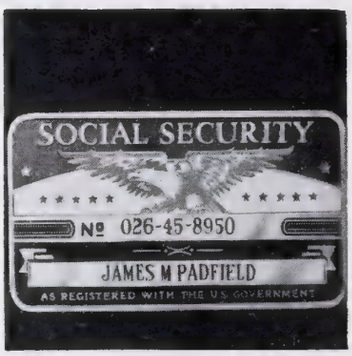
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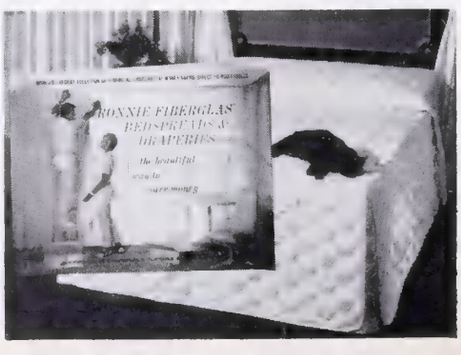












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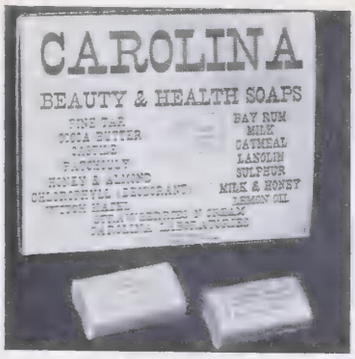
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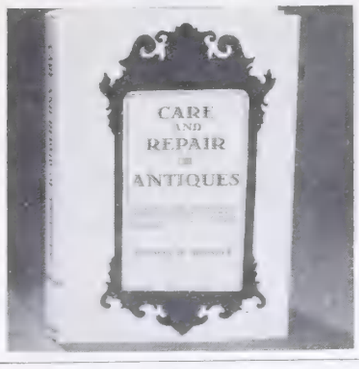
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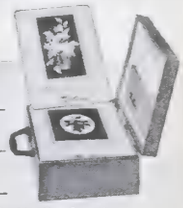
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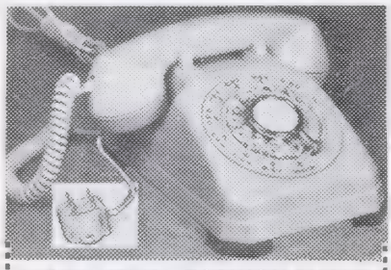
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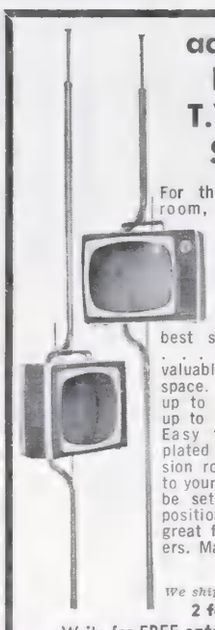
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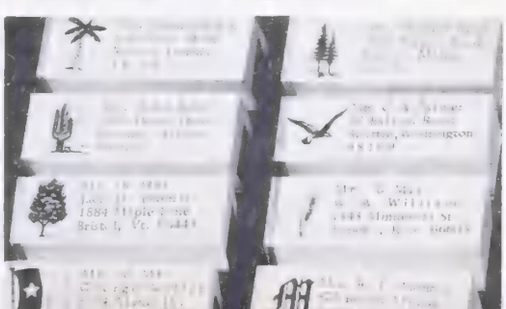
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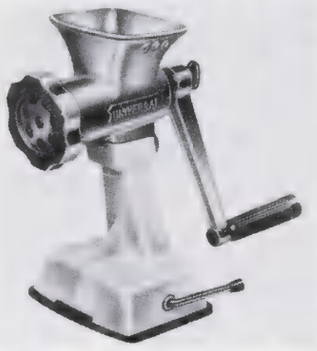
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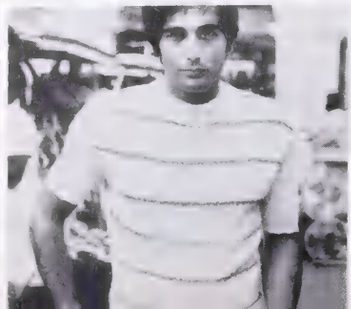
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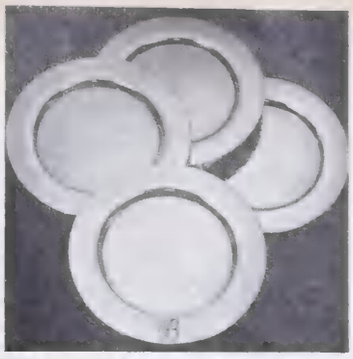


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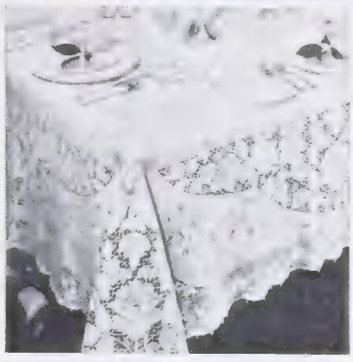
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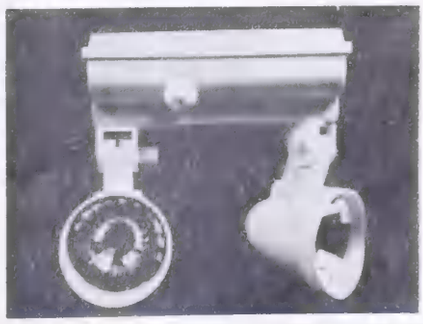
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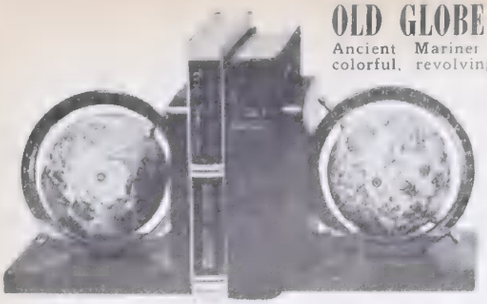
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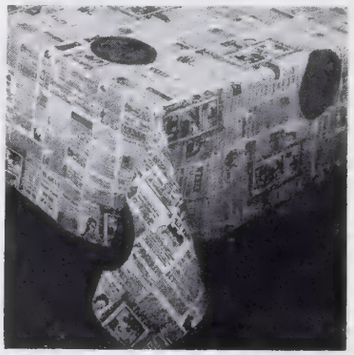


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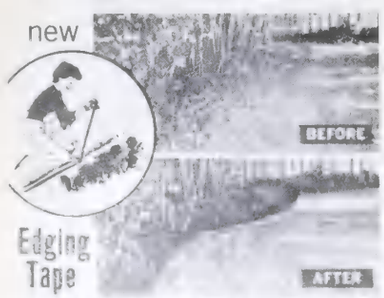
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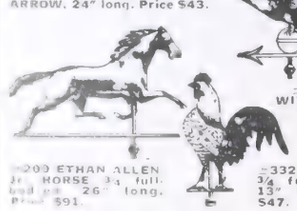
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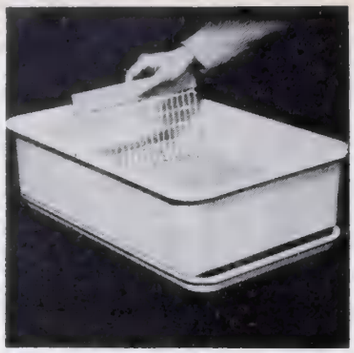
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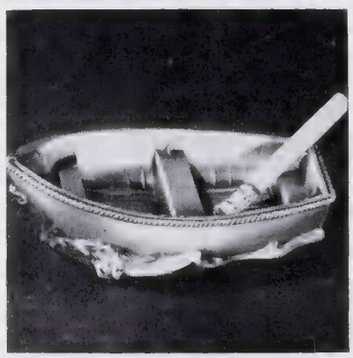
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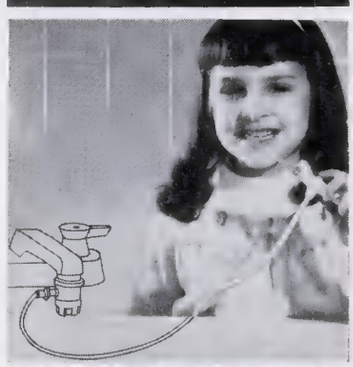
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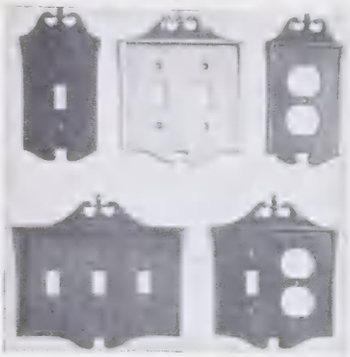
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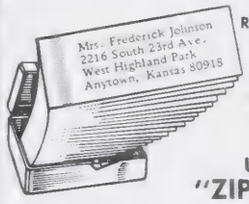
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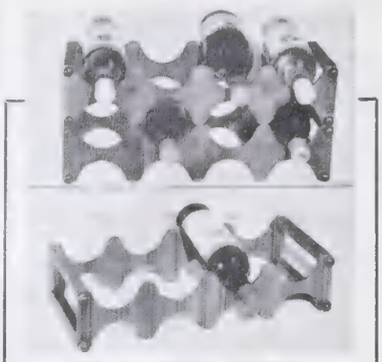
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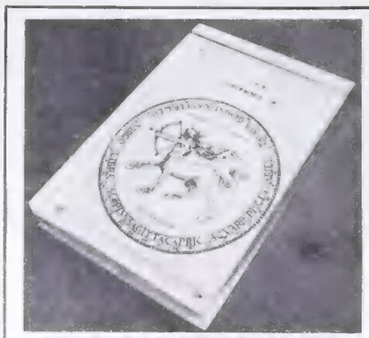
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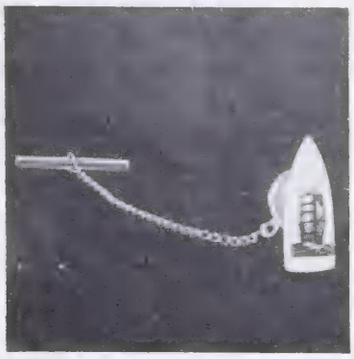
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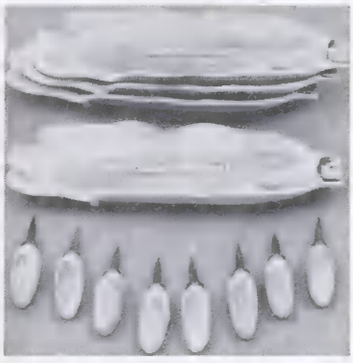
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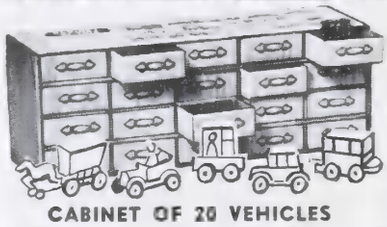
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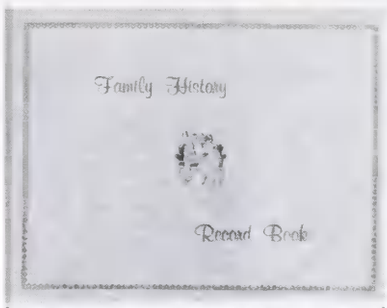


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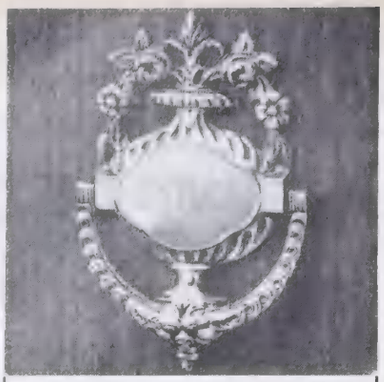
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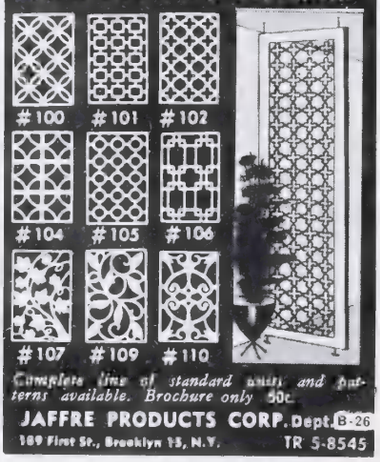
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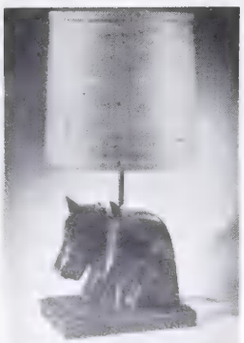
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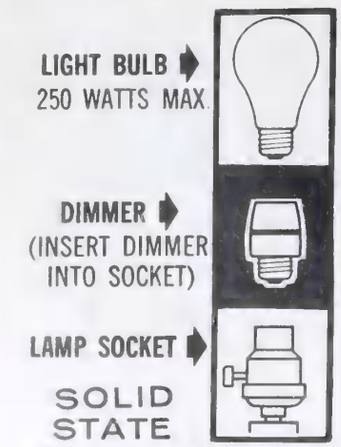


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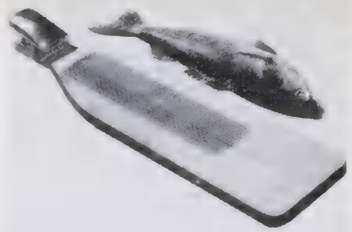
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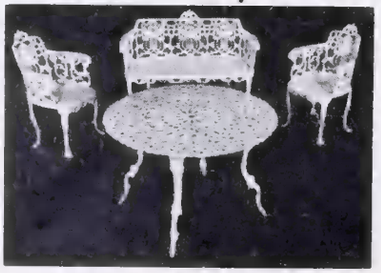


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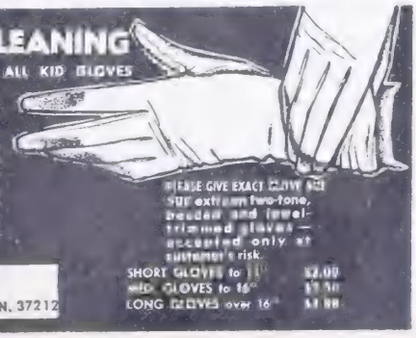
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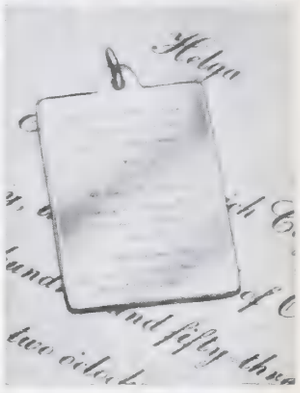


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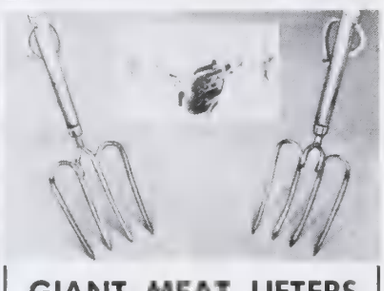
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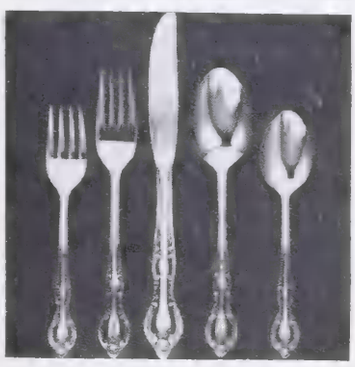
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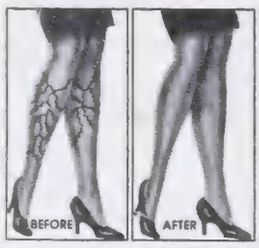
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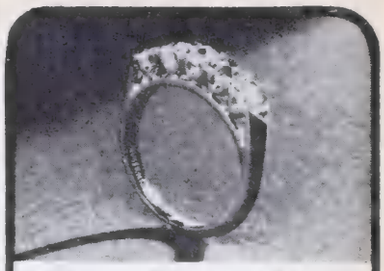
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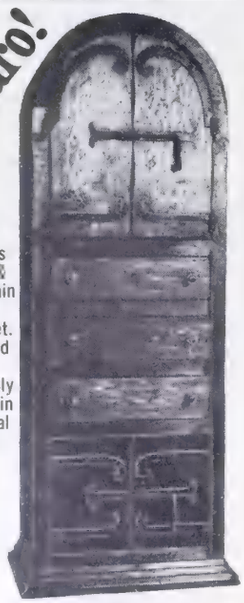
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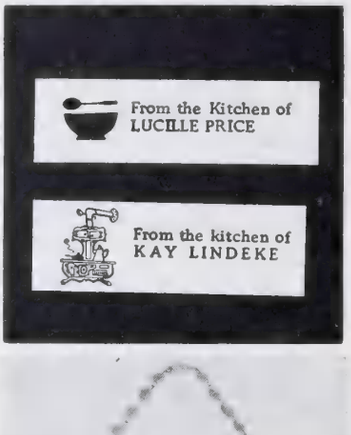
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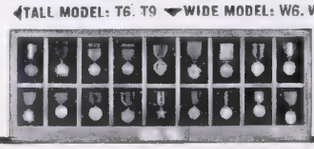
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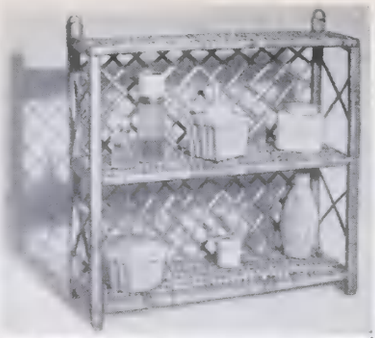


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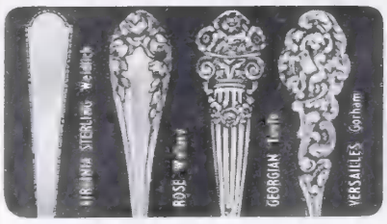




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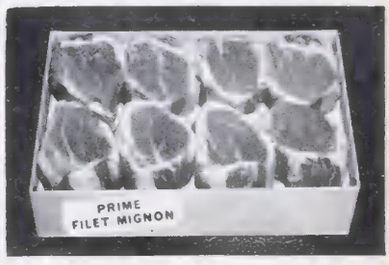
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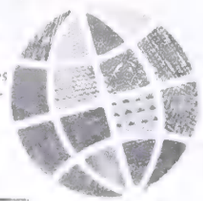
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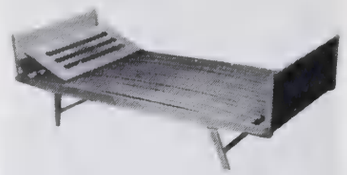
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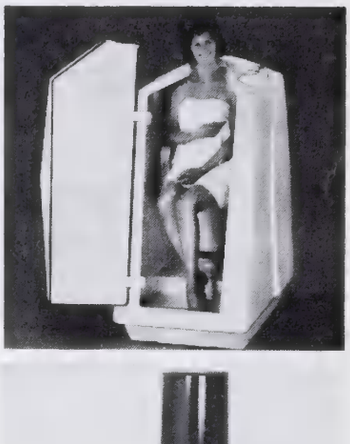
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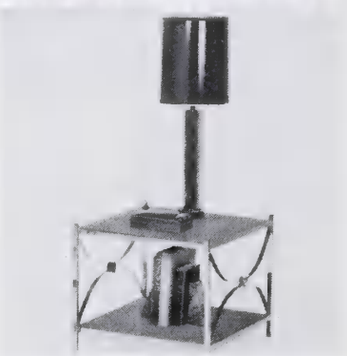
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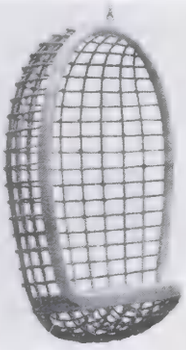
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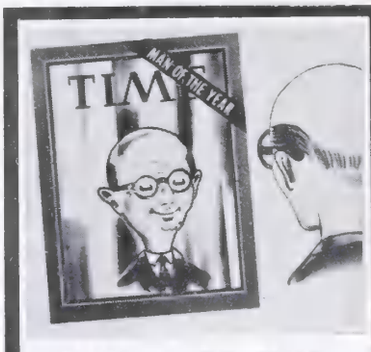
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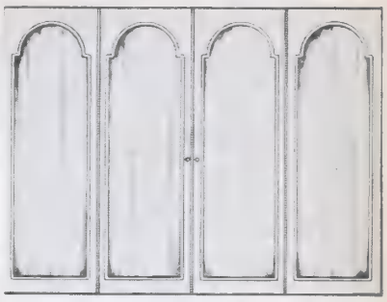
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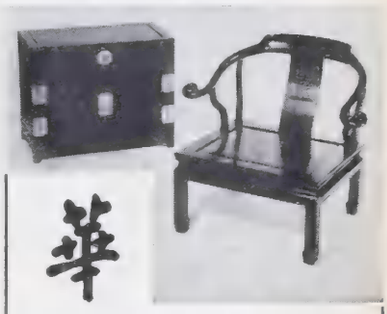
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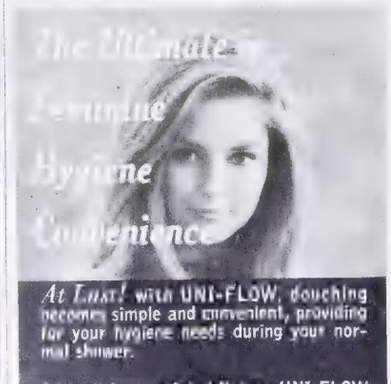
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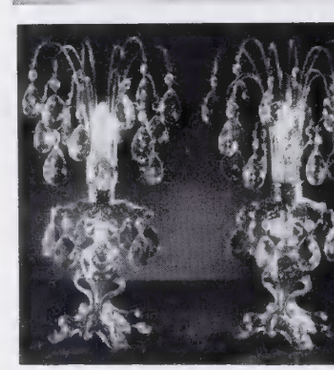
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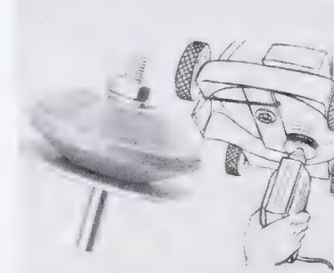
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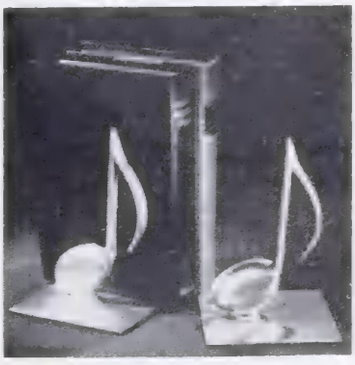
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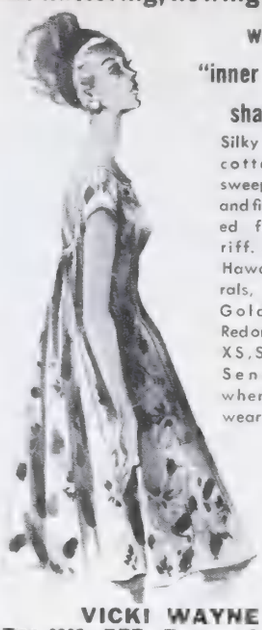


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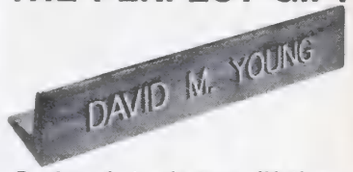


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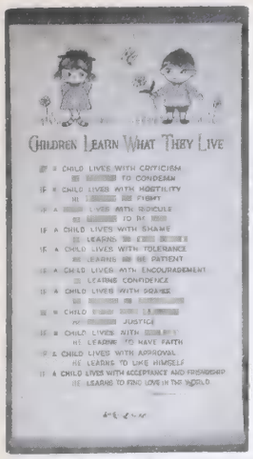
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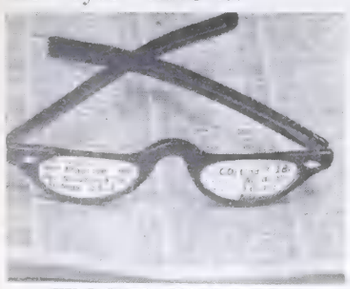
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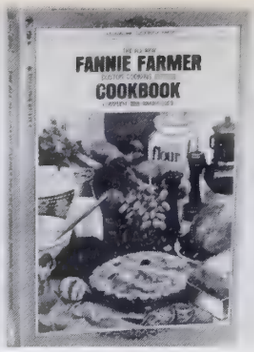
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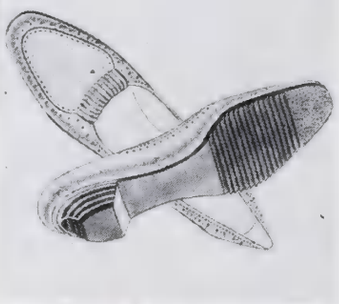
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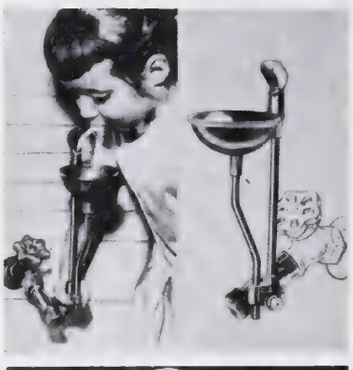
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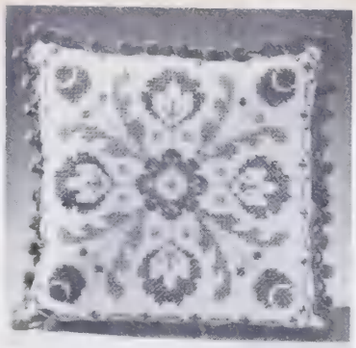


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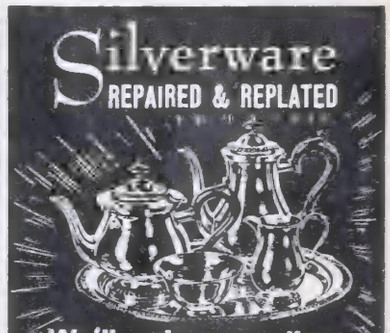
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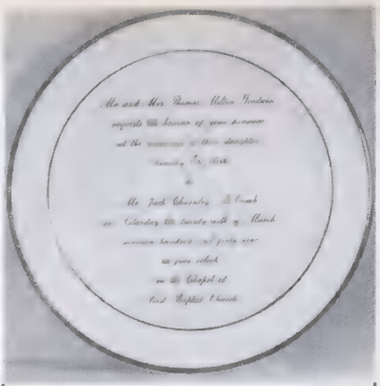
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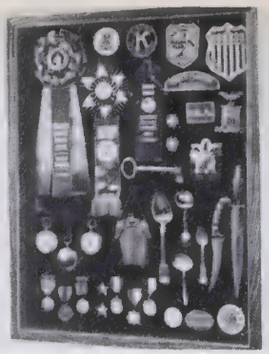


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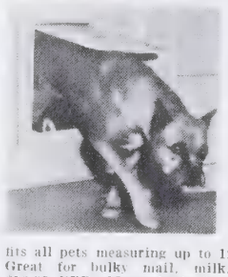
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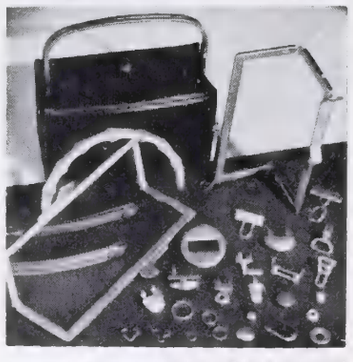
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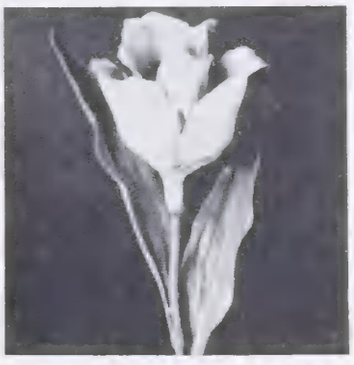
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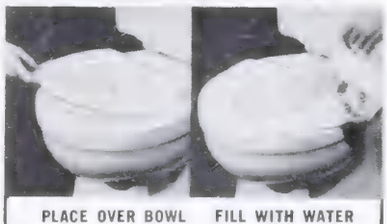


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Indoor/outdoor carpeting and furniture

Following is a listing of the indoor/outdoor carpeting and furniture, number-keyed to our Here-and-Now stores at the left.

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Lemony curves on the poolside terrace of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Collins, Sr. BROWN-JORDAN stacking chairs, $50, glass-topped table, $140, and ottoman, $40, at stores 4, 8, 18. OZITE needlebond polypropylene olefin carpet, $5 a sq. yd., at stores 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18. Tunisian bird cage, $100. BEAM ASSOC.

Against grillework, PACIFICA wicker chair, $175, sofa, $150, and table, $50, at store 15. CROWN tile-pattern solution-dyed acrylic carpet, rubber cushioning, $6 a sq. yd., at stores 7, 8, 11, 15, 18. Jardiniere, suggested price $200, from BEAM.

Delicious comfort on Mrs. Clyde C. Long's terrace. TROY table, $62, Dacron-mesh cot, $82, chair, $44. LUDLOW carpeting of DOW BADISCHE acrylic blend, $5 a sq. yd., at store 15. MARTEX towels, $6.50, at stores 1, 4, 5, 8, 12, 15, 18.

Dappled sunlight on the H. L. Bryans' dining terrace. SALTERINI chair, $41, dining table, $83, tea cart, $72, at stores 4, 14, 15, 18. WUNDA WEVE carpeting, Acrilan acrylic with a polypropylene backing, $11 a sq. yd., at stores 12, 18. MOTTAHEDEH frog, $10 and $18.50, at stores 4, 7, 14, 15, 18.

On the burnt-orange carpeted atrium-terrace of Mrs. William H. Anderson, DUX table, $65, lounge chair, $125, and bar, $156, at stores 2, 11, 12. BARWICK flocked nylon carpeting, $8 a sq. ft., at stores 12, 15, 17.

Scrolly white lace in the garden of the A. M. Collins, Sr. PLANTATION PATTERNS chair, $143, corner table, $42, at stores 4, 8, 14, 15. MASLAND Acrican acrylic carpeting costs $8 a sq. yd.

Pungent accents on the George Drake's deck. MEDALLION party cart, $155, chairs, $85, dining table, $130, and 18"-round table, $32, stacking tables, $30 each. J. P. STEVENS carpeting, faced with VECTRA olefin, $5 a sq. yd., at store 8.

Sunstruck yellows at the H. L. Bryans'. SAMSONITE chaise, $60, table, $25, at stores 1, 5, 12, 17, 18. CABIN CRAFTS Acrilan acrylic carpeting, $8 a sq. yd., at stores 1, 2, 4, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17.

Dauntlessly wall-to-wall, at the poolhouse barbecue at the H. L. Bryans' "Stonybrook." TROPITONE bar stools, $51, ottomans, $44. MONARCH carpeting of PHILLIPS MARVESS olefin, $7 a sq. yd., at store 18.

Product information

Here are detailed sources for furnishings and products in this issue. (Addresses are for retail sources only.)

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Living room: Patterned linen on couch, plain linen chair pads, blue mohair chair upholstery, BRUNSCHWIG & FILS. Denim for curtains, F. SCHUMACHER & CO.

KITCHEN: Wallpaper, cotton curtains, GREEFF. Antique Persian rug.

BEDROOM-LIBRARY: Cotton print plaid on bed, EAGLESHAM PRINTS. Linen curtains, BRUNSCHWIG & FILS.

UPSTAIRS BEDROOM: Toile fabric and wallpaper, YORK WALLPAPER. Shag wool rug, KENMORE CARPET.

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Pages 98-99: Cabinets, custom stainless-steel sink, and countertops, ST. CHARLES through ALSPAUGH CUSTOM KITCHENS. Custom "IMPERIAL" double oven, refrigerator-freezers, dishwasher, six-burner cooktop, FRIGIDAIRE. Oven hood, NUTONE. Food waste disposer, WASTE KING CORP. Vinyl flooring, KENTILE. Acoustic-tile ceilings, CELOTEX. Accessories in kitchen and on terrace: Denby stoneware and Asta designer cookware, MILLARD-NORMAN available through FAMOUS BARR, Sixth & Olive Sts., St. Louis, Mo. Other accessories and antiques, property of owners.

Pages 100-101: Plastic-laminate countertops and custom dining table, "TEXTOLITE," GENERAL ELECTRIC. Tile countertops on island, AMERICAN OLEAN TILE CO. Imported Delft tile inserts, VANDERLAAN TILE CO. Stainless-steel bar sink, porcelain sinks, AMERICAN STANDARD. Faucets, DELTA FAUCET. Hot-water dispenser on bar sink, "KONSTANT HOT," DELTA-T-INC. Disposers, "IMPERIAL HUSH," WASTE KING. Dishwasher, KITCHENAID. Refrigerator, SUB-ZERO. Freezer, four-burner cooktop, double oven, GENERAL ELECTRIC. Oven hood and ventilator, NUTONE. Ventilator/fan in hood, JENN-AIR. Double oven in tile wall, HOTPOINT. Ceramic grille, BERNZ-O-MATIC. Ventilator and fan over barbecue, TRADE WIND. Cabinets, WOOD-MODE KITCHENS. Built-in toaster, SWANSON. Paper towel dispensers, MARCHAND. Ceramic brick wall, GLAZON CORP. Vinyl tile flooring, AMTICO. Concave lighting fixtures in ceiling, GOTHAM. Sliding glass doors, ARCADIA METAL PRODUCTS. Window glazing, "THERMOPANE," LIBBEY-OWENS-FORD.

Pages 102-103: Stainless-steel cooktop and double ovens, THERMADOR.

Dishwashers. KITCHENAID. Refrigerator-freezer, stainless-steel doors, FRIGIDAIRE. "CHAR-GLO" gas grille and disposer, WASTE KING. Warming drawers, TOASTMASTER. Under-counter refrigerator, REVCO. Ventilator, "THRUSTPOWER," and can opener, TRADE WIND. Stainless-steel sinks, ELKAY. Faucets, DELTA FAUCET. Grass-cloth wallcovering, "VICRTEX," L. E. CARPENTER & CO. Recessed light fixtures, EMERSON ELECTRIC CO. Wall plates, BRYANT ELECTRIC. White oak parquet floor.

Pages 104-105: Countertops, "TEXTOLITE," GENERAL ELECTRIC. Refrigerator, SUB-ZERO. "CUSTOM LINE" stainless-steel sink, ELKAY. Self-cleaning ovens with black glass doors, THERMADOR. Dishwasher, KITCHENAID. Hot-water dispenser at sink, "INSTANT-HOT," THE HOBART MFG. CO. Stainless-steel over-counter food warmer, CORNING GLASS WORKS. Two gas cooktop units, WASTE KING. Electronic oven, "RADARANGE," AMANA. Resilient flooring, "TERRA COTTA," ARMSTRONG CORK. Stainless-steel can opener, TRADE WIND. Under-cabinet storage bins, JIM'S BINS. Over-counter lighting, "LITTLE INCH," ALKCO MFG. CO. Wallpaper, E. C. BONDY.

Pages 110-113

Pages 110-111: "ULTRA BATH" fixtures, AMERICAN STANDARD. Carpeting, CABIN CRAFTS. Lacquered wallpaper, CONNAISSANCE FABRICS, INC. Towels are from MARTEX. Plexiglas table-benches and basin mirror, PLASTIC FABRICATORS. "AZURÉE" bath and body cosmetics, ESTÉE LAUDER. Ceiling lights, LIGHTOLIER. Vinyl ceiling over sink and tub, KERBER. Mirrors, PITTSBURGH PLATE GLASS. Floor tiles, AMTICO. Glass curtain, "GLASS + GLASS," PRESCOLITE. Vanity lights on dimmer, HARRY GITLIN.

Page 112: Fixtures, ELJER PLUMBINGWARE DIV., WALLACE-MURRAY. Cabinet facing and paneled wall, Ceylon teak satin-finish Micarta, MICARTA DIV., WESTINGHOUSE. Wall paint, MARTIN SENOUR. Floor tiles, wall base, AMERICAN OLEAN. Heater-ventilator, "HEAT-A-VENT," NUTONE DIV., SCOVILL. Light diffuser, "OPAL PRISMATIC" Fiberglas, OWENS-CORNING. Accessories, MIAMI-CAREY DIV., PHILIP CAREY. Plans for this and other Designer Baths: write ELJER, Three Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222.

Page 113: The wall tiles, countertops, and floors, AMERICAN OLEAN. Plumbing fixtures, AMERICAN STANDARD. Towels, CANNON MILLS. Wallpaper, CLARENCE HOUSE. Bench, wicker basket, and brass turtle, LUTEN-CLAREY-STERN. Lavabo, PAST & PRESENT, 57 E. 57th St., N.Y.C.

Fun and profit at a country auction

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campus auction, for $15, a turn-of-the-century mahogany telephone booth with elegant stained-glass panels set in double swinging doors. He uses these to cut off a corridor's end and enlarge his dormitory cubicle by a good-sized anteroom.

Furnishing an entire house from auctions is not unusual. The idle cliché, "If I got burned out and had to start from scratch, I would. . . ." became a living legend for Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Coates (Mr. Coates is an executive of the National Council of Churches). When their home and all its contents in Greenwich, Conn. were devastated by fire some years ago, they set about refurnishing a home entirely from country auctions. From a museum-worthy Chinese chow table of carved teak to a reference library of 200 leather-bound books—each bought for a pittance at an estate sale—their furnishings have lived up to a dream of fully expanding their decorating horizon by exploring the field of country auctions.

For a two-house family

It *is* unusual for a couple to furnish both a townhouse and a country house from auctions, but Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor who did just that are exultant over the results. After spending seven years furnishing a New York City Victorian brownstone, Mr. Taylor, a young banker, and his wife, are continuing the search for the right Americana pieces for their new New Paltz, N.Y. farmhouse. At a sacrifice of their social weekends, they haunt Saturday-night auctions all along the Mid-Hudson Valley for Early Americana furniture, blown-glass rarities, antique brass, old maps, old prints, and handmade quilts.

Even if you don't buy at an auction, you can enjoy the sport that never palls—people watching. A Cleveland Heights enthusiast who has never even bought an ashtray, Mrs. Richard Bridges, says auctions are too great an experience to miss. She cites in particular the Burton Fair in the little Ohio town, with its wonderful summer-carnival spirit. Here, a combination of fair, flea market, and auction is presented on a horse-and-buggy race track. If, in browsing around, you find something you like at the flea market, you can take it to the auction and have it put on the block.

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tioneer, to whose gallery in East Dennis, Mass. (a town founded by his family in 1630), spectators come from all over the United States and Europe to buy and watch. The smooth and amusing performance of this actor *manqué* is watched with interest by the pros from the prestigious summer theatre, the East Dennis Playhouse, nearby. Among these are Shirley Booth, who comes not only to buy antiques but to pick up acting ideas, she says, and radio-TV star Henry Morgan, who bought 100 stained-glass church windows in one bid to send to his friends for Christmas cards.

The cardinal principle

From Eldred comes the guide to successful buying: Have a plan and stick to it. Knowing in advance what you want to buy, what you can afford to pay, and how you are going to use what you get will help you to keep a cool head. An auction, says Eldred, is a dangerous place for the impulsive buyer. It's like showing Christmas toys to a child.

The speed at which an item is sold, an average 40 seconds with which to offer, describe, show, and remove from the block, is also head-spinning.

If you've never been to an auction, go ahead of time to a preview exhibition. Some galleries hold these from two to five days before the auction, others in the morning, a couple of hours in advance of the afternoon sale. If you find something you want, ask the auctioneer or one of his staff for information, in particular the price he expects the piece to bring.

If there is a catalog with listings and descriptions, buy it. Bone up all you can in advance on antiques and other decorative art. The more knowledge you have, the better your luck will be.

Old hands at checking authenticity poke a bobby pin into a wormhole to see if it has been bored by an awl; feel; pull out drawers; inspect hardware; look on the underside to examine the wood. It's also important to measure, to make sure the Queen Anne highboy you want will go through your doorway. And it's also necessary to come up with some handy logistics for getting it home after the cry of "Sold" makes it yours.

If you are not known in the community, be prepared to pay on the spot with cash or personal check. Sometimes obliging auctioneers will hold purchases for you for a couple of weeks, but as a rule what you buy must be carted off after the sale is made.

Don't be intimidated by the subtleties used by the experts in bidding—the white handkerchief in a pocket poked down, a tug at a necktie, or the dramatic lift of a forefinger when ready to bid. Watch the sign language of other amateur spectators, and do what they do. Or buy for 50 cents a paddle-board that looks like a Ping-pong paddle, and use it for signaling.

But if you persist in waving at friends, you may become the butt of the auctioneer's spleen, as did a woman in a recent encounter at the Burton Fair. He roared to this offender with the waving hand, "Do that one more time, Ma'am, and I'll nail you!"

You can narrow your search for, say, porcelain bird sculpture or crystal paperweights, by watching for auctions offering these in a specialized category at, say, three to four P.M., when you can arrange to attend, and skip the gun collection, the stamp albums, the tractors and estate equipment which go on sale before and after.

Leaving a bid

At some auctions you can entrust a bid to the auctioneer to execute, set your price limit, and leave, knowing that it will be handled the same as if you were present.

To locate the auctions coming up in your locality, watch for advance stories and advertisements in your local newspaper, or call the editor. Look in the Yellow Pages for names of antique dealers who also deal in auctions. Watch for notices posted in your post office and in the food markets. Your local radio station may also announce upcoming auctions. In many communities handbills printed in bold circus type and big posters alerting buffs all over the countryside to forthcoming auctions are nailed to fences and on posts for miles along highways and by-ways. ■

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Good ventilating equipment for a cooktop and ovens or range, ducted to the outside, is essential to the easy maintenance of a kitchen. Hoods that merely circulate the air over a filter and back into the room cannot do the same job. Most reputable manufacturers of home ventilating equipment are members of an association, The Home Ventilating Institute, that certifies the cubic feet of air per minute that a specific fan will remove. An HVI tag attached to the grille of a ventilating fan will tell you how many square feet of kitchen it will ventilate. The built-in electric or gas barbecue broilers require special and powerful ventilating hoods.

Refrigeration needs

The refrigerators and freezers now on the market, including the combinations, provide more storage for their size than ever before because of thin-wall insulation. They are available in every size from under-counter and countertop units, about six cu. ft. capacity, to the popular side-by-side refrigerator freezers. These run from 28 to 48 inches in width, in capacities of 15.5 cu. ft. to 30 cu. ft. One such unit has three doors with regulation refrigerator and freezer sections plus a compartment with temperature control to provide extra refrigeration or freezing space. Recently introduced is a combination with automatic dispensers for both ice and ice water on the outside of the door.

Almost all companies include models with and without automatic icemakers, and no-frost or automatic defrosting. Some offer such special features as separate controls for the refrigerator and the freezer, tempered-glass shelves, wheels (standard or optional) so the box may be rolled out for cleaning or redecorating. There are meat keepers designed to store fresh meat at the proper temperature, and one that converts to a meat freezer with over 15-pound capacity. There is even a [Continued on the next page]

Self-analysis chart for kitchen planning

- Do you really enjoy planning meals and trying new recipes, or is cooking just a chore to be disposed of as quickly as possible?
- Do others in the family frequently work with you in the kitchen?
- When you are busy in the kitchen, do you enjoy having people near enough for conversation?
- Do you like to have an eating area in the kitchen?
- Are there small children in the family who need attention? Teen-agers? Senior citizens?
- Would you like the kitchen to accommodate certain hobbies, such as sewing, building models, or other crafts?
- Do you object to clutter and prefer to see everything stored behind closed doors?
- Do you enjoy seeing gleaming pots and pans on an open rack?
- Would you rather sit or stand when cleaning vegetables or preparing foods at the sink?
- Is it important for you to have the sink in front of a window where you can have a view?
- Do you have any phobias about noise or cooking odors?
- How often do you shop for foods?
- How often do you entertain, and for what size group?
- Do you have beautiful serving pieces, unusual cookware, or a collection that you want to display?
- Do you like a sitting area in the kitchen, a place for a comfortable chair where you can rest between chores?

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How many sinks

While you can certainly get along with a single sink, there are many advantages to having a second: a utility sink near the cleaning closet, a bar sink where drinks can be mixed, a flower-arranging sink, or others. You can find double- and triple-bowl sinks, one that includes a shallow sit-down sink, and a separate small bowl for waste and the food disposer. Chopping blocks and dish drainers are accessories. Choosing stainless steel or porcelain enamel is a matter of personal preference.

The kitchen floor

Beautiful old floors of wide wood planks are few and far between, and anyone who inherits a home with such a floor will doubtless want to restore it. If you are considering a new wood floor for the kitchen, check on laminated oak blocks that are available in light and dark colors, prefinished in a damage-resistant urethane.

Tile floors, either quarry tile in several colors or ceramic tile in a rainbow of hues, are long-lasting and wash easily. Brick or flagstone is also a possibility for creating an Old World look.

For years, resilient floor coverings have been the favored choice for the kitchen. In lovely colors and decorative patterns, they are widely used both in sheet goods and in tiles of varied sizes. There is also a poured vinyl floor available today.

More recently, kitchen carpeting has been introduced. It has great appeal for its underfoot comfort, its look of luxury, and the way it holds down noise. Incidentally, it is not to be confused with indoor-outdoor carpeting, much of which is unsuited in fiber and construction for kitchen use. If you decide to buy carpeting, choose it with care. A top-quality product, such as dense, tightly-twisted nylon carpeting bonded to a sponge padding will hold dust and dirt on the surface, and permit tiny spots and stains to be washed off with detergent and water. The cost is comparable to that of a fine resilient floor covering.

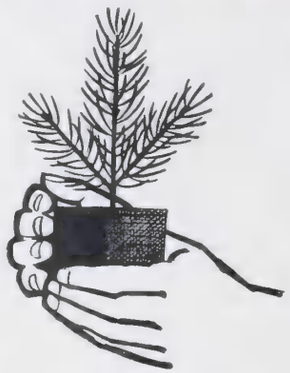
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Lighting the kitchen

Basically a workroom, the kitchen needs good general room illumination, which can be achieved with conventional fixtures, recessed ceiling lights, or a fluorescent-lighted luminous ceiling. This latter type does not generate heat, and the warm-white fluorescent tubes available today closely approximate the quality of daylight. In addition to general illumination, there should be direct lighting over work counters. This is easily concealed below wall cabinets.

The little things

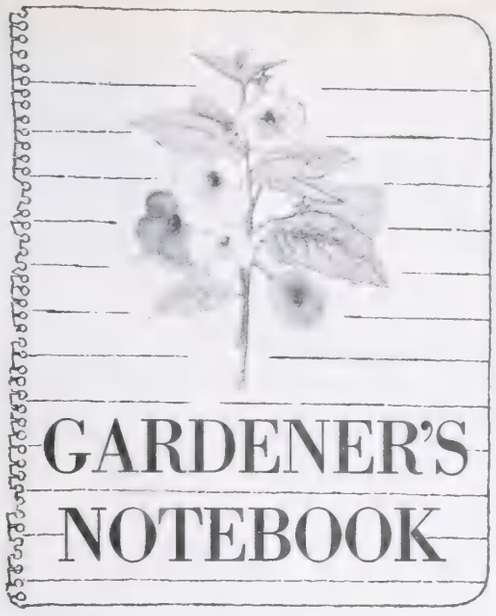
Colors, wall coverings, window treatments, and accessories are the finishing touches that make the important difference. While no one can offer specific suggestions that would apply to every kitchen, remember—when you select accessories—that kitchen equipment is bulky, and accessories, to be in scale, must be generous in size. Tiny articles, no matter how beautiful, are somehow lost in a kitchen, unless they can be grouped for a larger effect. Never hesitate to use antiques if they can provide the right color or shape. The combination of the old with the new helps mellow the room. If you are a collector of old pewter or unusual cooking utensils, these might be displayed for added interest. Texture, shape, and color can enrich and personalize a kitchen and add to its pleasure.

More information

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By Elvin McDonald



GARDENER'S NOTEBOOK

Some lively comments on plants, gardens, and gardeners

"Cupid's bower"

If you want colorful flowers in a partially to fully shaded part of the garden this summer, now is the time to start the scaly rhizomes of achimenes, a plant sometimes known as "magic flower" or "cupid's bower" (illustrated above). As a member of the gesneriad family, the achimenes is related to the African violet and gloxinia, but it bears little resemblance to either.

The catkin-like rhizomes from which achimenes grow are small by comparison to other summer-flowering bulbs, yet the results are phenomenal. In fact, achimenes planted now in a warm, bright, moist place will give first blooms in 45 days, and this flower show will increase in beauty until the arrival of cold weather.

Plant achimenes half an inch deep and one to two inches apart in a mixture composed of equal parts peat moss, vermiculite, and garden loam. Keep evenly moist at all times, and after growth is active, feed biweekly with a liquid fertilizer such as 23-21-17. When the plants are two inches tall, nip out the growing tip to encourage branching. During really hot weather achimenes need copious amounts of water; hanging baskets will require watering at least once a day.

Before freezing temperatures are expected in the fall, bring containers of achimenes to a protected place indoors and withhold water. When the foliage dies down, the new crop of rhizomes may be sifted out of the dry soil and stored with a handful of nearly dry peat moss in a plastic bag in a cool, dark place for the following spring.

Achimenes were tremendously popular a hundred years ago, long before the African violet had been discovered, yet they are almost never available except by mail from specialists like Kartuz Greenhouses at 92 Chestnut Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts, where three dozen named achimenes are listed. Colors include all shades of blue, pink, red, purple, and yellow, with a pleasing selection of white flowers often in combination with a contrasting color.

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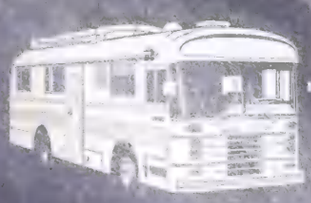
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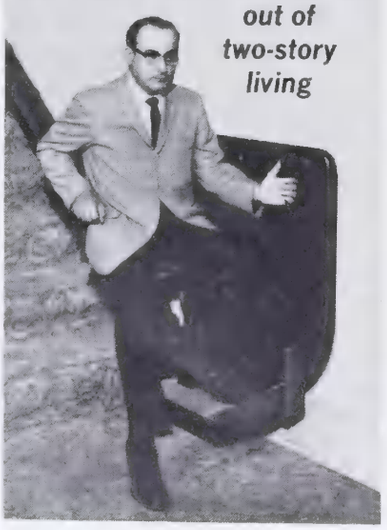
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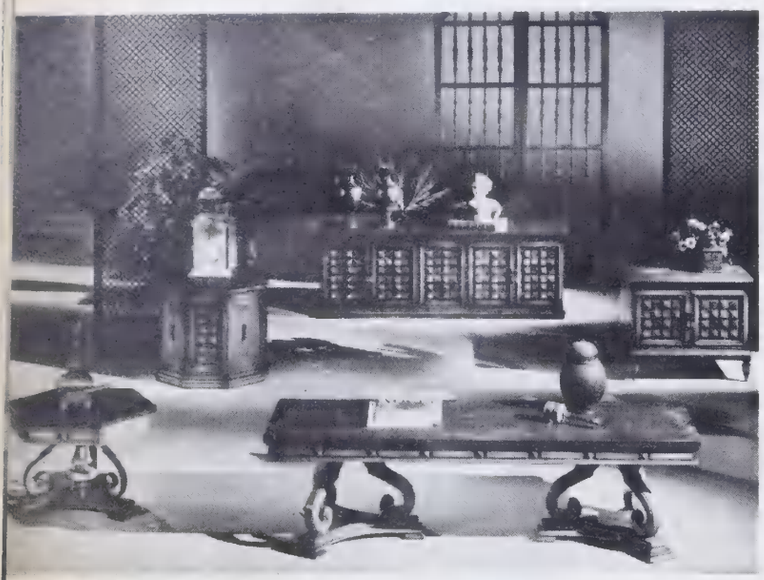
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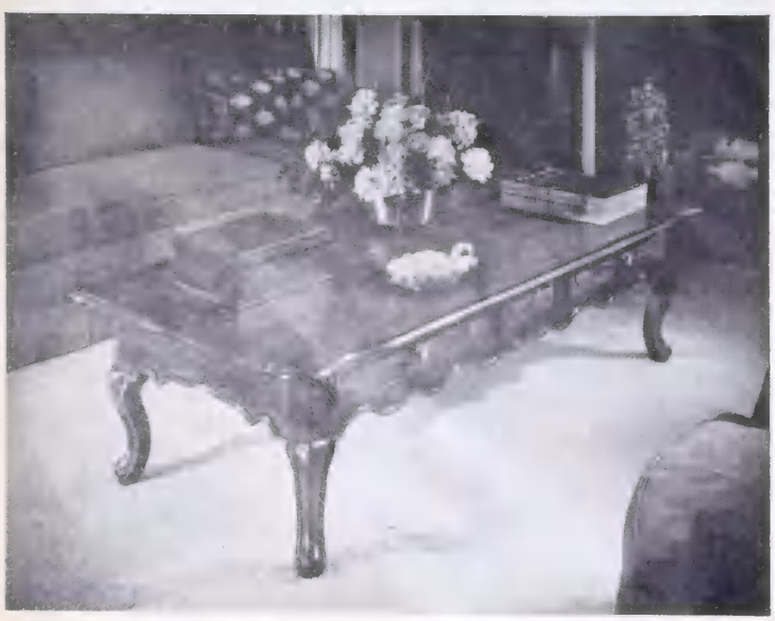
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Gardener's notebook

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9.3. Tiffany rated 9.1, as did the miniature Starina and the shrub rose Nova Zembla.

More than a thousand other roses are rated in the "1969 Handbook for Selecting Roses," a copy of which may be obtained by sending ten cents to the American Rose Society, 4048 Roselea Pl., Columbus, O. 43214.

New ways with tomatoes

The good word about the unmatched flavor of home-grown tomatoes has spread until the fruit that was once thought to be poisonous has become our most widely planted vegetable. While the tomatoes grow larger, meatier and tastier, the vines are becoming sturdier, more vigorous, and we are learning to take advantage of their ornamental possibilities.

Start tomato seeds indoors in a sunny, warm place about eight weeks before outdoor planting time in your area. The seedlings need abundant light and warmth —70-75 degrees—and biweekly feeding with a liquid plant food after growth is active. Transplant to three-inch pots before they begin to crowd, using a mixture of equal parts garden loam, peat moss, and sand. If you do not have the space or inclination to start tomatoes from seeds, buy seedlings at your local garden center.

Move tomato seedlings to the garden when all danger of frost is past. Tomatoes thrive in rich, well-drained garden soil that has been deeply spaded in the spring. Apply tomato fertilizer several times in the season. Avoid allowing plants to trail over moist soil; do not subject them to severely dry soil either. Do not smoke while working with tomato plants and do not try to grow tomatoes within 50 feet of a black walnut tree.

The popular way to keep tomatoes off the ground is to train each plant on a sturdy stake, either 2-by-2 redwood or steel, reinforcing rod hammered into the soil to a depth sufficient to hold it firmly. Small-fruited tomatoes, and certain new kinds like Atom, are excellent for pots and tubs; just be sure the soil is always moist. Feed container-grown tomatoes every other week with a liquid fertilizer. Regular tomatoes train beautifully as espaliers in practically any of the classic designs for this garden art form.

Try tomatoes in new ways this year—and grow at least one hybrid variety you have not cultivated previously. It takes only six well-grown tomato plants to yield a bountiful crop, and when they are staked or trained as espaliers, very little space is required.

Flowers for shade

If you have a place in your garden that receives very little sunlight, here are some flowers to plant now for color in the shade: impatiens (sultana), fancy-leaved caladiums, tuberous-rooted begonias, coral bells (heuchera), hostas, bergamot (monarda), daylily, achimenes, bells of Ireland, browallia, coleus, lobelia, wishbone flower (torenia), periwinkle (*Vinca rosea and varieties*).

Lower lawn upkeep

At the beginning of a new lawn season, here are two accessories to help make the necessary chores more enjoyable.

Lawn-Boy offers a litter bag that fastens neatly to the mower handle, providing a large pouch for debris picked up and out of the operator's path, plus three pockets for garden tools, transistor radio, or other supplies.

To trim with practically no effort or noise around flower beds, shrubs, walks, drives, trees, and patios, consider Toros' new Key-Lectric Trimmer. It looks more like a golf club than anything else (and mastering its uses will doubtless be easier). As a cordless electric appliance it weighs in at only two pounds. The power source is a nickel-cadmium battery pack which comes as part of Toro's Key-Lectric Whirlwind Rotary mower. A fully charged battery pack provides 45 minutes of trimming time.

Best hardy chrysanthemums

Now is the time to plant sturdy young, rooted cuttings of hardy chrysanthemums for bloom this coming fall. These will give a vastly better display than old clumps which have been left to multiply on their own from year to year in the garden.

Members of the National Chrysanthemum Society recently selected these cultivars as top-notch for all sections of the country: Tawny Pillar, Chapel Bells, Marble Top, Snowbound, Cream Top, Sea Urchin, Lemon Lace, Gianna d'Angelo, Martian, Nebraska Centennial, Cheerleader, Prom Queen, Quarterback, Gusto, Zenta, Superior, Mahalia Jackson, Sparkling Burgundy, Red Desert, and Raspberry Ice. For information about membership in the Society, write to the Secretary, Mrs. George Briggs, 8504 Laverne Dr., Adelphia, Maryland 20783. ■

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